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Directory of  
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**ELECTED OFFICERS**

**Moderator**  
Clifford R. Howe

**Selectmen**  
Albert P. Wadleigh      Hazen M. Emery      Harold C. Lord

**Board of Public Welfare**  
Ellen M. Wallace      Albert P. Wadleigh      Andrew O. Nicol

**Assessors**  
George B. Crofut .....Term expires 1938  
W. Harold Whiting .....Term expires 1936  
Clifford R. Howe .....Term expires 1937

**Town Clerk**  
C. Howard Phillips

**Tax Collector**  
Fred C. Twombly

**Town Treasurer**  
Roy C. Journeay

**Municipal Light Commissioners**  
George F. Wilde .....Term expires 1938  
Charles A. Lancaster .....Term expires 1936  
John Marshall .....Term expires 1937

**Board of Water Commissioners**  
George F. Wilde .....Term expires 1938  
Charles A. Lancaster .....Term expires 1936  
John Marshall .....Term expires 1937

## TOWN REPORT

**School Committee**

Howard DeLong .....	Term expires 1938
Annie W. Hoyt (deceased) .....	Term expires 1936
Willard T. Kelly .....	Term expires 1937

**Trustees of Cemeteries**

Charles A. Lancaster .....	Term expires 1938
Clarence O. Libby .....	Term expires 1936
Richard A. Sargent .....	Term expires 1937

**Trustees of Public Library**

Frank E. Walker .....	Term expires 1938
Charles E. Hoyt, Grove Street .....	Term expires 1938
Abbie W. Sargent .....	Term expires 1936
Harriet J. Davis .....	Term expires 1936
John B. Judkins .....	Term expires 1937
Alvin F. Heath .....	Term expires 1937

**Trustees of Kimball Park**

John W. Kirkpatrick .....	Term expires 1938
Richard A. Sargent .....	Term expires 1936
Alden B. Morse .....	Term expires 1937

**Playground Commissioners**

Homer R. Sargent	Willard T. Kelly	Kenneth L. Breed
Raymond J. Bagley	Frederick E. Sweetsir, M. D.	

**Constables**

James P. Donahue	Leon L. Dow	George W. Goldsmith
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**Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood and Bark**

Edson C. Walker	Ralph L. Buzzell	Byron H. Sargent
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**Tree Warden**

Samuel C. Doust

**APPOINTED OFFICERS****Town Counsel**

F. Leslie Viccaro

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### **Chief of Police**

James P. Donahue

### **Night Watchman**

Leon L. Dow

### **Special Police**

George W. Goldsmith

Obed O. Skillings

Edward J. O'Keefe

James F. Pease

Harold Waterhouse

Alvin F. Heath

George R. Buzzell

Alexander M. Sullivan

Clarence O. Libby

Orin W. Burke

Joseph W. Bray

### **Sworn Weighers**

George L. Sargent

Ralph L. Buzzell

Byron H. Sargent

Charles A. Follansbee

Walter P. Stillings

### **Town Accountant**

W. Harold Whiting

### **Fence Viewers**

Russell Kelly

E. Palmer Sargent

### **Public Health Nurse**

Jean K. Badashaw

### **Dog Officer**

Charles E. Sande

### **Engineers of Fire Department**

Aaron A. Hume

Fred O. Bailey

J. Arthur Ollis

### **Inspector of Milk, Slaughter and Animals**

Fred H. G. Chase

### **Inspector of Wires**

John E. Bean

## TOWN REPORT

**Sealer of Weights and Measures**

Harold R. Eastman

**Moth Superintendent**

Samuel C. Doust

**Forest Fire Warden**

Aaron A. Hume

**Burial Agent**

James S. Shiavoni

**Superintendent of Streets**

Charlie E. Wallace

**Town Forest Committee**

James T. Colgan .....	Term expires 1938
Samuel C. Doust .....	Term expires 1936
Frank N. Rand .....	Term expires 1937

**Registrars of Voters**

George W. Berry	Isaac A. Williams	A. Lawton P. Crane
	C. Howard Phillips	

**Janitor Town Hall**

Andrew O. Nicol



## THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SEVERAL OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF MERRIMAC

### SELECTMEN'S REPORT

To the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

In submitting this the sixtieth annual report of the Town of Merrimac, since its incorporation, your Board of Selectmen are able to report a year of much accomplishment despite the continued devastating effect of the nation wide business depression.

The financial strength and credit of a town are based on its ability to pay its bills promptly and to hold to a minimum its outstanding indebtedness.

During the past year by adhering strictly to a "pay as you go policy" and sanctioning no emergency overdrafts of appropriations, we are pleased to report a total of \$5752.04 in unexpended balances, after offsets, thereby increasing the assets of the Town in this amount to maintain the credit and security of the Town on a solid basis. The general cash balance of January 1, 1936 is also \$3118.66 larger than January 1, 1935.

By doing this we call to your attention the fact that for the first time in several years it has been unnecessary to call any special town meetings to raise additional money.

A year ago the total funded indebtedness of the Town of Merrimac was \$18,400.00. This has been reduced during the year \$5,600.00, making the present funded indebtedness \$12,800.00, or \$10,800.00 due to the Commonwealth and one Water Main Extension Note of \$2,000.00. The temporary debt of the Town as of January first 1936 is \$30,000.00 borrowed in anticipation of revenue which fluctuates in amount according to the rapidity of tax payments, the uncollected taxes on January 1, 1936 to offset this amount being \$66,333.84.

In 1933 Merrimac voted to borrow \$18,000.00 of the

Commonwealth of Massachusetts as an Emergency Loan, payable over a five year period at  $3\frac{1}{2}\%$  interest. By doing this the Town was placed under the supervision of the State Emergency Finance Board as far as appropriations made by the Town are concerned until this loan is paid. This means that no appropriation voted by the Town can be made or used unless approved by the Commonwealth until this loan is paid. Thus, when the town makes its appropriation at the annual meeting, all these appropriations must be certified to the State Emergency Finance Board, and until their written approval is received, the business of the Town is slowed up to a considerable extent. Based upon the logic of sound finance it would seem that the action taken in 1933 in borrowing of the Commonwealth instead of temporary notes in anticipation of revenue was a mistake. The first year of this loan, the Town lost \$1,500.00, under Chapter 90 road maintenance, money that could have been obtained if not a State Loan, and on the basis of this year's bank interest rates, the Town has lost several hundred dollars, which if on a temporary note basis, might have been saved. We are informed by the office of Director of Division of State Accounts that such a loan to the Commonwealth cannot be paid before maturity, even if the finances of the Town warrant. We believe that this loan should be paid as soon as possible, and hope some way may be found that it may be done shortly out of cash obtained on a temporary note basis in anticipation of uncollected revenue.

The Board of Selectmen organized with Albert P. Wadleigh, Chairman, Hazen M. Emery, Clerk, and Harold C. Lord; and then organized as a Board of Health with the same officers and members.

The most general active work under the direction of the Selectmen is the Highway Department.

Charlie E. Wallace was re-elected Supt. of Streets for the year and has conducted that department in a very efficient manner.

Merrimac has 30 5-10 miles of accepted roads to be



cared for, of which 2 miles is unimproved earth, 20 9-10 miles is earth graded and drained, 5 8-10 miles gravel, etc; and 1 8-10 miles bituminous macadam.

This board of Selectmen believe that every accepted road or street on which any persons live and pay taxes is entitled to every possible consideration and should be kept in as good condition as the funds available to the Town will permit. Acting all the year on this policy, more road mileage has actually been reconstructed on many streets of the Town than for a period of several years.

In order to receive highway funds from the State, the Town has to appropriate approximately \$4,000.00 (under Chapter 81), to receive about \$4,650.00 from the State, which must be spent on outlying roads or "sparsely settled" streets. As the Town has only appropriated \$5,000.00 annually the last few years for highway work, this has left only about \$1,000.00 which could be expended on the principal streets of the Town. For several years larger amounts were annually appropriated out of which the thickly settled sections received the benefits that they properly should. We recommend that the general highway appropriation for the coming year be \$5,500.00, and that \$1,500.00 also be appropriated for Chapter 90 (through roads) maintenance, for by so doing we can receive an additional \$1,500.00 from the State for this work. This should allow for more oiling and grading where needed. As several other appropriations can be reduced this year, these suggested increases will bring much benefit without any additional total tax burden.

If these appropriations are made the Town should receive from the State a total of \$6,150.00 to be used on Chapter 81 (sparsely settled) and Chapter 90 (through roads) work.

At the annual Town Meeting the sum of \$2,500.00 was appropriated for the reconstruction of Main Street (under Chapter 90) provided the County would contribute the sum of \$6,000.00 and the Commonwealth the sum of \$16,500.00. In negotiating the State and County contributions and



relative matters, Mr. Wadleigh represented the Board at the several hearings and conferences at Boston, Salem and Beverly at the Department of Public Works, County Commissioners offices, and District and County Engineers offices. As the 1935 legislature caused 15% cuts in all Chapter 90 contributions to August 1st, the amount allotted by the State was \$14,025.00, and of the County of Essex \$5,100.00, making a total allotment of \$21,625.00 authorized. The original plans of the State Engineers estimated that it might cost nearly all this amount to reconstruct Main Street from the cement road to a point opposite the American Legion Home. The Selectmen wishing to have the whole job done at once including Merrimac Square authorized the State Department of Public Works to ask for bids on the original plans, subjecting the balance of the allotment to additional contract work. The Department of Public Works at the request of the Selectmen wrote a special clause into the contract that all surplus material excavated from the road should be placed by the contractor without expense to the Town on any streets designated by the Supt. of Streets with the approval of the Selectmen within a radius of one mile of the job. The bids received for bituminous macadam road ranged from \$15,200.00 to \$21,700.00, the contract being awarded to Thos. Watkins Sons, Inc. of Amesbury. During the work Mr. Watkins employed quite a number of Merrimac men which was well appreciated. By this form of contract the Town has been able to have reconstructed in first class shape the whole of Main Street, Merrimac Square, School Street in front of Town Hall, as well as the construction of a much needed safety island in the square. As the centre of the square has never been properly lighted, the Light Commissioners agreed to furnish the granite steel shaft and the State authorized the construction of ducts properly wired from four points in the square for the installation of traffic lights when the Town so votes.

The surplus excavated material from Main Street and the Square was used to benefit the following streets: Abbott Street, Winter Street, North Street, Lancaster

Court, Maple Street, Forest Street, part of Summer Street, Spring Street near Prospect Street, Mill Street, Bartlett Street, Liberty Street, part of road in Church Street cemetery, rebuilt sidewalk by frog pond on Church Street, Prospect Street, corner Vendome Street, and Pleasant Street and Friend Street Merrimacport. This feature of the work alone has saved the Town several thousand dollars that would have been necessary to spend if the Town had done it at its own expense. All this was done by the State, County and Town with an appropriation by the Town of \$2,500.00, the total cost being approximately \$21,225.00.

The Town voted to appropriate \$900.00 as part of an ERA project to tile Pleasant Street Merrimacport, and \$220.00 to oil the same street. The State Emergency Finance Board disapproved the \$900.00 for tiling, but approved the \$220.00 for oiling purposes. With a full realization that this street needed repairs, considerable excavated material from Main Street was placed on it, the street leveled and graded including Friend Street from the corner of the Pleasant Street engine house, and oiled accordingly.

During the construction of Main Street, as detours for traffic the District engineers authorized at no additional expense to the Town, the oiling of Union Street, Currier Avenue, Adams Street, Grove Street and Orchard Street.

The Water Commissioners caused new water services to be laid under Main Street and the Square during this work, the material being furnished by this department, and the labor costs as a Federal ERA project. New gas services were also installed by the Haverhill Gas Company. The grass island at the junction of Locust Street was removed to improve traffic conditions.

By authorizing the use of about \$800.00 of Chapter 81 money to be combined with Federal funds as an ERA project, Emery Street from East Main Street was entirely reconstructed the greater part of its length. The condition of this street for years had been deplorable. The Federal Gov-



ernment furnished all the labor cost amounting to about \$4,000.00.

In doing all this extra Highway work, the regular work has been carried on as usual by the Supt. of Streets under the direction of the Selectmen, and we especially call to your attention that we have not permitted the Highway appropriation to be overdrawn. The Supt. of Streets has been directed to and has saved all useful material taken from any job, so that it can be used to advantage in some other part of the town to eliminate all unnecessary costs.

During the earlier part of the year, Mr. Wadleigh, with the approval of the Selectmen, discussed with several members of the Legislature and the Commissioners and Chief Engineers of the Department of Public Works urging the necessity of sidewalk construction on the State Highway, called for in pending legislation. Lack of sidewalks on both West and East Main Street have been the possible result of two major fatalities and several near accidents in the last few years. This legislation passed the House by one vote, and Mr. Wadleigh then presented the formal petition of the Selectmen for sidewalk construction, the day the Governor signed the bill, (Chapter 464, Acts 1935). In the first 36 miles of this sidewalk construction for State Highways in Massachusetts, both West and East Main Street, Merrimac, were included to an extent of 12,800 feet, reaching both Haverhill and Amesbury lines. It is estimated that the cost of these sidewalks is about \$13,000.00, which involved no appropriation by the Town. In the construction of this work your Selectmen have registered with the State office, 63 Merrimac men for sidewalk employment, but as yet few Essex County men have been employed on this type of work in any Essex County City or Town. Seven Merrimac trucks were registered through us for WPA work in Essex County and their owners given work by the WPA administration.

Under this same 1935 State legislation (Chapter 464), Merrimac received an outright cash grant of \$1,550.00 for sidewalk construction, which is being used to build a granolithic sidewalk on Main Street from the residence of John Marshall around the Public Library and from Littles Court

to Woodland Street. The use of this money involves no expense on the abutter of the project.

The Selectmen last summer had prepared and submitted to Washington a WPA project, to construct granolithic sidewalks all around Merrimac Square, (to use the present bricks for water holes); and a project for granolithic sidewalks on principal streets at both Merrimac and Merrimacport. We are informed that these projects have been approved by President Roosevelt and can be worked next year, as Federal WPA funds become available.

As a result of two months effort we have secured as a WPA project, starting Dec. 30, 1935, employing 30 Merrimac men, a road project (so called Farm to Market) running until at least March 15, 1936, carrying a Federal grant for labor costs and truck hire of about \$9,000.00. The Streets as approved by the District Engineers in which this work will be done during this period are Harriman Road 15-100, Pleasant Street Port 20-100, Abbott Street 15-100, Belmore Street 15-100, Westminster 10-100, Bartlett Street 15-100, Birch Meadow No. 2, 75-100, North Street 90-100, Water Street 70-100, Mill Street 35-100.

This project will be beneficial in several ways. In the case of Harriman Road alone it will save the Town at least one half of what might be necessary to appropriate in a few years under Chapter 90 for reconstruction and widening of this road by State, County and Town Funds.

In 1934 the amount received by the Town from the Federal Government for CWA and ERA activities was \$27,969.61. By constant submission of projects to Sept. 1, 1935 the amount received in 1935 by the Town to December 1st. was about \$38,000.00.

The Merrimac ERA office was officially closed on December 27, 1935 and the records turned over to the representative of the Federal Government. From July 1st to the end of the year there was quite a degree of uncertainty in this Federal relief work, as it was stated from month to month that the new Works Progress Administration was to



take immediate effect. Under the new set up, projects are sponsored by departments and if approved by the President, can be worked during such periods as are approved by the Selectmen. Assignments of workers are made wholly from the Salem office from the lists of those registered for relief prior to November 1, 1935. Until March 15, 1936 the total number of Merrimac persons who can be employed on WPA projects is eighty-three (83). During the last two months of the ERA the number employed was about 65 persons, while under the WPA on December 31, 1935 a total of 80 Merrimac people were actually employed, not including the men on the WPA County Moth project, or the WPA Commodity project, or Merrimac men and trucks on the Federal Payroll. On January 24, 1936 we succeeded in having the allotment of persons in Merrimac to be employed until at least March 15th on WPA projects raised to about 114 in number.

Your Board of Selectmen have submitted and approved WPA projects sufficient, we believe, to provide relief work for Merrimac for nearly all of next year and of a nature to provide permanent public improvements. Every sign points to the continuation of WPA projects through the year 1936, and the fact that President Roosevelt has approved most all these Merrimac projects to operate as Federal funds are made ready, is quite conclusive evidence of continued relief.

The State Building Inspector gave notice to the Selectmen last June that unless the sliding doors to the entrance to the Town Hall were made to swing outward and a suitable step constructed at the edge of the doors, that the use of the Town Hall would not be permitted after July 1st. until such repairs were made. The State Inspector stated that he had called this to the attention of the Town for over two years and that it must be done. In accordance with these instructions your Selectmen caused the sliding doors arranged to swing outward and a wide cement base for a step placed on a level with the first step at the base of the doors leading into the hall.

As a result of the sound financial condition of the Town, low money rates and competitive bids, the Town has been able this year to borrow money in anticipation of revenue at the lowest rates ever received in the history of the Town, the last loan being made at 55-100 of one percent. This reflects itself in an unexpended balance of the 1935 interest appropriation, thus saving \$684.14. This appropriation can be substantially reduced in 1936.

The largest saving of the year of nearly \$4,000.00 has been made by the Public Welfare Department which is detailed in their report. A substantial balance has been maintained in the Soldiers Relief Account. This means that several appropriations in 1936 can be reduced without injury to anyone and of great benefit to the tax payers in a reduced tax rate.

In accordance with the vote of the Town, Mr. Wadleigh represented the Selectmen before the Joint Committee of Harbors and Public Lands and House Ways and Means Committee of the Legislature advocating the passage of legislation as a Federal project to construct a trunk sewer in the Merrimack river. The enabling legislation was enacted by the State, but no Federal action taken.

We call to your attention the increase in revenue in the Police Department, \$958.00 being received in fines and forfeits in 1935 by the Town. This is due largely to the method of handling the cases by Chief James P. Donahue, where cases are settled if possible on a basis of fines and whereby justice is served and the town benefited by money received.

On April 15, 1935, Mr. James C. Pease who had been Town Accountant of Merrimac for 12 years, since 1923, died very suddenly. Mr. Pease will be universally missed and was a man of fine character and integrity, faithful and exact in the performance of his duties. Mr. Pease had also served as Town Treasurer 1906-1911, and Town Auditor 1915-1916, and had just been re-elected Town Accountant for another three year term.

The Selectmen at a Special Meeting April 16, 1935,



unanimously elected W. Harold Whiting Town Accountant for the term of three years. Mr. Whiting has served several years as a member of the Merrimac Board of Assessors, is a graduate of the Merrimac High School and Haverhill Business College and was employed for many years as bookkeeper and teller at the Essex National Bank of Haverhill until the time of the bank liquidation, and is well fitted for this particular work.

The State Audit of the finances of the town which generally takes place every two years, had not been made in Merrimac for nearly four years. At the death of Mr. Pease the Selectmen requested the Division of State Accounts to send a State Accountant to Merrimac to acquaint Mr. Whiting with the exacting details of the system of bookkeeping required by the State. The Director of State Accounts, Mr. Waddell, decided that the required audit could be made at the same time. State Accountants Mr. McMiniman and Mr. Coughlin were at the Town offices for a period of nearly two months and examined every detail of accounts of all the offices, boards and departments of the Town to date and made a very thorough and comprehensive report. This report is on file at the Town office and may be read by any citizen who wishes. It covers practically all the matter that has been printed in previous Town Reports and if printed in full in this Town Report would cost over \$100.00. We, therefore, print the summary of the State Audit in another place in this report, which shows the condition of the Town to be in a sound financial condition.

During the past year the Board of Selectmen have proceeded on the policy to obtain the greatest number of benefits for all the people of the Town. In the matter of relief to the unemployed and the needy, the Board of Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare have worked in complete harmony to obtain any Federal, State or County funds that might help to bring relief. Few people in town can actually realize the increase in the last year of the work required by the Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare if the Town is to receive what it can get, and to prevent welfare



claims of other towns being unloaded on Merrimac, where close investigation has proven that no claim exists.

Since 1929 the work of the Selectmen has increased three times and the work of the Board of Public Welfare over five times, and yet the total amount of the salaries paid by the Town to all the members of both boards is \$675.00 or \$75.00 less than ten years ago. During this year Mr. Wadleigh as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen and Clerk of the Board of Public Welfare has actually devoted an average of 32 hours a week since last March to Town business and to December 31st. has received the total sum of \$239.58 for this work.

We believe that it is no impropriety to suggest a revision of these salaries of the Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare, because it can be easily proven that during the past year several thousands of dollars have been saved by constant watchfulness and a prompt investigation and knowledge of law and facts.

It is a strange situation, but nevertheless true that at present the members of Board of Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare in the Town of Merrimac receive less per hour than hardly any other officer or employee of the town. We believe that the town in its fairness with a full understanding of the case may adjust these salaries on a comparative basis of work performed by taking suitable action at the Annual Town Meeting.

We wish to express our appreciation to all citizens and residents of the Town, Officers, Boards, Departments or employees who have co-operated with us in the year 1935 to make the creditable showing that appears on the Balance Sheet of the Annual Report. We wish also to express our gratitude for the kindly assistance of all those connected with the Massachusetts Department of Public Works, District Engineers Office, ERA-WPA Regional Office, and all Federal, State or County officials or employees who have aided us to give Merrimac an administration of affairs worthy of its credit.

The Town of Merrimac is a beautiful town. Many are the praises bestowed on it by summer visitors and those passing through it. It possesses all the modern facilities of a city yet breaths the free air of the country. So far it has paid its bills and maintained its credit and has practically no funded debt. Some day the present depression will pass and tax burdens may be lighter.

The Town is all right. It is up to all of us to keep it right so that the children of today who shall fill the places of some future tomorrow, will be as proud of the Town of Merrimac as those were who lived in it and had faith in it.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT P. WADLEIGH,  
HAZEN M. EMERY,  
HAROLD C. LORD,

Selectmen of Merrimac.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF MERRIMAC BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:-

The Merrimac Board of Public Welfare organized March 8, 1935, with Mrs. Ellen M. Wallace, Chairman; Albert P. Wadleigh, Clerk; and Andrew O. Nicol as third member.

Owing to the conditions arising during the period of business depression with relation to unemployment, the demands for relief have been very great.

Boards of Public Welfare at present handle all matters relative to temporary aid, mothers aid, care of the sick poor, and old age assistance cases.

The present Merrimac Board of Public Welfare has tried faithfully during the year to render adequate relief to all needy persons and at the same time protect the interest



of the taxpayers who have to pay the bills. We have investigated or have a knowledge of the facts in each case and know of no instance in the Town of Merrimac where anyone has actually suffered by inability on the part of the Town to provide needed assistance.

We fully believe from a survey of the records, that at least 95 percent of those receiving aid realize the burden carried by the Town of Merrimac, and have co-operated with us to reduce the load. The fact alone, that less than five percent receiving aid try to get more than a just share, is no reason that the 95 percent should suffer for the ingratitude of a few. This has been the basis of the policy of the board throughout the year to aid all worthy cases.

The number of persons in Merrimac receiving aid in 1935 was 415, or almost the same number aided in 1934, which was 428, yet we are pleased to report that we have been able to reduce the 1935 costs as compared with 1934 to the amount of \$3958.58, and are returning an actual unexpended appropriation balance of \$3,842.78 to the Town. Public Welfare Costs in 1935 were \$24,157.22 as against \$28,115.90 in 1934 with the appropriations and transfers for each year almost the same amount.

It is true that the increased allowance received from the Federal Government in ERA and WPA grants to Merrimac have kept down welfare costs and given a large number of people employment which has been of great benefit to the community, yet we wish particularly to call to your attention the fact that we have been able to reduce welfare costs nearly \$4,000.00 for the year on about the same number of persons aided as in the previous year.

The Clerk of the Welfare Board, Mr. Wadleigh has had several conferences with State Welfare officials at Boston to determine exactly the full amounts of reimbursements that Merrimac is entitled to and with particular reference to what claims of other cities and towns to deny and avoid. Mr. Wadleigh has checked the settlement status in nearly every Welfare case on file in the Town office to find out if the responsibility for payment of the aid rest-

ed on the taxpayers of Merrimac, or of the State, or of some other city or town, and found several cases where Merrimac has been paying for cases properly chargeable against some other place. Many claims presented by other cities and towns in which former residents of Merrimac are being aided looked reasonable on the face of the claim, but upon careful investigation the persons named were found to have been absent from Merrimac beyond the required five years, and therefore this aid should be paid by the State or some other city or town.

The subject of welfare residence settlement and full reimbursements for outside aid constitute under present conditions the biggest single item to be watched and safeguarded in the finances of the Town. Unless this is constantly done several thousand dollars could be annually lost on account of the increasing number of outside claims, State settlements, and other places of settlement.

During the year 36 persons approved by the State have received Old Age Assistance in Merrimac. Of an appropriation by the Town of \$10,000.00, the sum of \$9,840.92 has been expended, leaving a balance of \$159.08 to turn back to the Town. Of the amount spent at present, the State reimburses Merrimac one third of the full amount in Merrimac cases; and in cases aided in Merrimac whose legal settlement is elsewhere Merrimac received from the State and place of residence, full reimbursement to one hundred percent. At present a person must be at least 70 years of age to receive old age assistance. If the age is to be reduced to 65 years, next year it will be necessary to increase the annual appropriation to at least \$12,000.00, but this increase will undoubtedly be largely offset by the reimbursements from participating federal funds, which will make the actual operating cost to Merrimac not much larger than at present.

Applications for the Civilian Conservation Corps in Merrimac have been handled through the office of our board, and during the year about fifteen young men from



Merrimac have enlisted in this service to the benefit of themselves, their families and the town.

The establishment of the Merrimac Town Forest several years ago has well proven its value. The large number of cords of wood cut by Federal or Welfare labor and used to assist needy persons has been a blessing of incalculable worth.

The large amount of free food commodities and clothing from the Federal Government distributed in Merrimac this last year has materially aided many families and individuals to meet their living costs and has also been a help to the Town.

As near as we can determine, the amount of work required of the Merrimac Board of Public Welfare is at least five times what it was seven years ago. In 1928 there were 77 persons aided in Merrimac as against 415 in 1935. The increased number of cases, records, requirements of the State and Federal government, certifying persons for relief and numerous other phases of the work are of such a nature that few people other than town officers and committees realize the time involved. It is the problem of all the people of Merrimac to give adequate relief to the needy and at the same time reduce the high tax rate. As your Board of Public Welfare, we have tried to serve what we believed the interests of all the people of Merrimac, and express our appreciation for all cooperation received.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLEN M. WALLACE,  
ALBERT P. WADLEIGH,  
ANDREW O. NICOL,

Board of Public Welfare

## SUMMARY OF STATE AUDIT

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Department of Corporations and Taxation  
Division of Accounts  
State House, Boston

September 10, 1935..

To the Board of Selectmen,  
Mr. Albert P. Wadleigh, Chairman,  
Merrimac, Massachusetts.

Sir:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the general accounts of the Town of Merrimac for the period from January 1, 1934, and of the tax collector's accounts for the period from July 1, 1931 to April 30, 1935, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This report is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

Theodore N. Waddell,  
Director of Accounts..

Mr. Theodore N. Waddell,  
Director of Accounts,  
Department of Corporations and Taxation,  
State House, Boston.

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the general accounts of the town of Merrimac for the period from January 1, 1934, and of the tax collector's accounts for the period from July 1, 1931, the dates of previous audits, to April 30, 1935, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions, as recorded on the books of



the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined and compared with the records of the town treasurer and town accountant.

The books and accounts of the town accountant were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were compared with the treasurer's books and with the records of the several departments in which charges originated or money was collected. The records of disbursements were checked with the treasury warrants and with the treasurer's records of payments.

The appropriations and transfers as recorded on the town accountant's ledger were checked with the town clerk's records of town meetings and the classification book was compared with the ledger accounts.

The ledger accounts were analyzed, the necessary correcting and adjusting entries were made, a trial balance was taken off, proving the accounts to be in balance, and a balance sheet, showing the financial condition of the town as of April 30, 1935 was prepared and is appended to this report.

In checking the vouchers and payrolls it was noted that the appropriation for Memorial Day observance for 1935 was paid to a patriotic organization of the town. Original bills should be rendered by those furnishing services and payments should be made directly by the town treasurer on properly approved orders, in accordance with the provisions of Section 35, Chapter 41, General Laws, which reads as follows:

"The town treasurer shall give bond annually for the faithful performance of his duties in a form approved by the commissioner of corporations and taxation and in such sum, not less than the amount established by the said commissioner, as shall be fixed by the selectmen or mayor or aldermen, shall receive and take charge of all money belonging to the town, and pay over and account for the same according to the order of the town or of its authorized of-



ficers. No other person shall pay any bill of any department. He shall have the authority given to an auditor by section fifty-one, and shall annually render a true account of all his receipts and disbursements and a report of his official acts."

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The recorded receipts were compared with the collections as recorded in the several departments collecting money for the town and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the payments were checked with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the treasurer to disburse town funds. The cash balance on April 30, 1935, was verified by a reconciliation of the bank account with a statement furnished by the bank of deposit.

The records of the town debt, revenue loans, and interest were examined and checked, and the payments were verified by a comparison with the amounts falling due.

The savings bank books representing the investment of the various trust funds in the custody of the town treasurer were examined and listed, the income being proved and the transfers verified.

The Tax Title deeds in the custody of the town treasurer were examined and listed, and the necessary adjusting entries were made to bring the accountant's ledger into agreement with the tax title list.

The books and accounts of the tax collectors were examined and checked. The tax accounts outstanding at the time of the previous examination were audited, and all subsequent commitments of taxes and moth assessments were proved with the assessors' warrants for their collection. The payments to the treasurer were compared with the treasurer's cash book, the abatements were checked with the records of abatements granted by the assessors, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved to the accountant's ledger.

The outstanding accounts were verified by mailing no-

tices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed are correct.

Taxes and moth assessments for 1932 and prior years committed to a former collector should be recommitted to the present collector in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 151, Acts of 1934.

The records of licenses and permits granted by the board of selectmen and the health department were checked and the payments to the treasurer were verified.

The town clerk's records of dog and sporting licenses were examined and the payments to the town and to the State were verified.

The records of the sealer of weights and measures were examined and checked. The payments to the treasurer were verified and the cash on hand June 18, 1935, was proved by actual count.

The books and accounts of the municipal light department were examined and checked. The recorded receipts were compared with the consumers' accounts, and the payments to the treasurer were verified by a comparison with the treasurer's books. The outstanding accounts were listed and the necessary adjusting entries were made to bring the accountant's ledger into agreement with the outstanding list.

The books and accounts of the water department were examined and checked. The recorded receipts were compared with the consumers' accounts, the payments to the treasurer were verified by a comparison with the treasurer's books, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved to the accountant's ledger.

It is again recommended that an annual appropriation be voted by the town for the requirements of the water department, the same as for the other departments of the town, in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 396, Acts of 1928.



The surety bonds filed by the several town officials for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

Appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, are tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash, summaries of the tax, assessment, tax title, and departmental accounts, as well as tables showing the condition and transactions of the various trust funds.

For the co-operation extended by the several town officials during the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE,

Assistant Director of Accounts.

#### WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Essex, ss.

To James P. Donahue, one of the Constables of the Town of Merrimac.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac to meet in Sargent Hall in Merrimac on

MONDAY, MARCH 2, 1936

at six o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To elect a Moderator for one year, Town Clerk for one year, three Selectmen for one year, three members of the Department of Public Welfare for one year, one Assessor for three years, Treasurer for one year, Collector of Taxes for one year, one member of the School Committee for three years, one Trustee of Cemeteries for

three years, two trustees of the Public Library for three years, one trustee of Kimball Park for three years, five Commissioners of Playground for one year, one Commissioner of Municipal Light Board for three years, one Water Commissioner for three years, three Constables for one year, three Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood and Bark for one year, and Tree Warden for one year. In voting under this article the polls may be closed not earlier than four o'clock p. m.

Article 2. To fix the Compensation of the Collector of Taxes.

Article 3. To determine what sum of money shall be raised to defray the necessary and usual charges and expenses of the Town for the year 1936 and make appropriation for the same.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1936, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Accountant with the approval of the Selectmen, to transfer from time to time, from the Road Machinery Account to the Maintenance of Road Machinery such sums as may be needed to keep road machinery in operation.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) for Chapter 90 (Gen. Laws) Road Maintenance work in order to receive a similar amount of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to be combined as a joint account to be expended for Road Maintenance work on Chapter 90 roads in the Town of Merrimac.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and



appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen for WPA or other Federal or State relief projects.

Article 8. To see what action the Town will take to provide a list of candidates for the 1937 Citizens Caucus, whose nominees shall be placed on the ballot as candidates at the Annual Town Meeting of 1937.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under tax title procedure provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirteen hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$1,375.00) to be expended under the direction of the Engineers of the Fire Department, four hundred dollars (\$400.00) to be used for the purchase of Hose and nine hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$975.00) for additions or improvements to the Fire Alarm system.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) to be placed at the disposal of the Playground Commission for any necessary repairs that may be needed on the playground during the current year.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for the surveying and plotting of lots and drives in Locust Grove Cemetery.

Article 13. On petition of George L. Aldrich, Emery Street and fourteen others to see if the Town will vote to instruct the Light Department to extend the Lighting Service from the residence of Orlando M. Sargent to the residence

of Harry A. Sanborn on Emery Street and to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money therefor.

And you are hereby required to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in seven public places in said Town of Merrimac, at least seven days before said time of meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Merrimac this tenth day of February 1936.

ALBERT P. WADLEIGH,  
HAZEN M. EMERY,  
HAROLD C. LORD,

Selectmen of Merrimac.

A true copy. Attest.

JAMES P. DONAHUE,

Constable.

By virtue of the above warrant to me directed I hereby notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac to meet at the time and place and for the purpose therein expressed.

JAMES P. DONAHUE,

Constable.

Merrimac, Mass., February 11, 1936.

#### APPROPRIATIONS MADE 1935

Moderator .....	\$	12.00
Selectmen, chairman .....		225.00
Selectmen, clerk .....		62.50
Selectmen, other .....		50.00
Selectmen expense .....		600.00
Board of Public Welfare, chairman .....		225.00
Board of Public Welfare, clerk .....		62.50
Board of Public Welfare, other .....		50.00
Accountant .....		1,000.00



Accountant, expense .....	125.00
Treasurer .....	270.00
Treasurer, expense .....	250.00
Tax Collector .....	700.00
Tax Collector, expense .....	150.00
Assessor, chairman .....	275.00
Assessor .....	187.50
Assessor .....	187.50
Assessors, expense .....	200.00
Town Counsel .....	75.00
Town Clerk .....	225.00
Town Clerk, expense .....	50.00
Registrars of Voters .....	112.50
Town Hall maintenance, janitor .....	120.00
Town Hall maintenance, expense .....	1,000.00
Town Hall, repairs .....	100.00
Bonding Town Officers .....	270.00
Election Officers .....	176.00
Police department maintenance of .....	3,450.00
Fire department .....	3,000.00
Fire Engineers .....	180.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures .....	90.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures, expense .....	53.00
Inspector of Wires .....	90.00
Inspector of Wires, expense .....	2.50
Moth department .....	900.00
Forest Warden .....	150.00
Tree Warden .....	300.00
Town Forest .....	300.00
Board of Health .....	2,300.00
Public Health Nurse .....	1,150.00
Inspector of Animals .....	100.00
Inspector of Slaughtering .....	20.00
Inspector of Milk .....	20.00
Essex County T. B. Hospital assessment .....	539.77
Highway department .....	5,000.00
Snow and washouts .....	4,000.00
Sidewalks, railings and bridges .....	50.00
Rocks Bridge .....	1,400.00
Street lights .....	2,583.90



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State aid .....	430.00
Public welfare .....	28,000.00
Soldiers relief .....	4,600.00
Mothers aid .....	1,560.00
Old age assistance .....	10,000.00
School Committee, chairman .....	45.00
School Committee, clerk .....	67.00
School Committee, other .....	45.00
School department .....	28,000.00
Public Library .....	700.00
Printing 1934 Town reports .....	271.00
Memorial Day (American Legion) .....	125.00
Lighting Town building for 1934 .....	579.75
Insurance .....	2,210.50
Reserve fund .....	500.00
Water extension note .....	2,000.00
Interest .....	1,700.00
Cemeteries .....	950.00
Surveying cemeteries .....	200.00
Municipal loan for relief .....	3,600.00
Vital statistics .....	70.00
Water in Town buildings .....	300.00
*E. R. A. ....	6,000.00
Oiling Pleasant Street .....	220.00
Rebuilding Main Street .....	2,500.00
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	\$127,112.92
*State Emergency Board reduced to .....	3,000.00
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	\$124,112.92

## REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

The Finance Committee has carefully considered the estimates for the year 1936 of the several Town Officers, Boards and Departments.

We are pleased to note that it appears possible to reduce some appropriations in quite a substantial amount

making the total of our recommendations several thousand dollars less than last year.

In view of the greatly increased work of the Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare during the last three years, and inasmuch as a large amount of the WPA work must be handled by these boards this year without any federal reimbursements, we have recommended proportionate increases in salaries which seem fair and equitable.

The increased amount of \$2,000.00 asked for as Old Age Assistance is due to the probability of the age limit being reduced from 70 years to 65 years within the next six months. This increase is expected however to be offset by increased reimbursements.

We recommend the following appropriations for the year 1936:

### General Government

Moderator .....	\$	12.00
Selectmen (Chairman) .....	\$	450.00
Selectmen (Clerk) .....		125.00
Selectmen (Other) .....	100.00	675.00
Selectmen's Departmental Expenses		600.00
Public Welfare (Chairman) .....	325.00	
Public Welfare (Clerk) .....	250.00	
Public Welfare (Other) .....	100.00	675.00
Accountant .....		1,000.00
Accountant's Expense .....		125.00
Treasurer .....		270.00
Treasurer's Expense .....		250.00
Tax Collector .....		800.00
Tax Collector's Expense .....		150.00
Assessors (Chairman) .....	275.00	
Assessors (Other two each \$187.50)	375.00	650.00
Assessors' Expense .....		200.00
Town Clerk .....		225.00
Town Clerk's Expenses .....		50.00
Registrars of Voters .....		112.50

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### Town Hall Maintenance

Janitor of Town Offices .....	120.00	
Maintenance .....	1,000.00	1,120.00
Town Hall Repairs .....		100.00
Bonding Town Officers .....		270.00
Election Officers .....		220.00

### Protection of Persons and Property

Police .....		3,450.00
Fire Engineers .....		200.00
Fire Department .....		3,000.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures ....		90.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures Expenses .....		50.00
Inspector of Wiring .....	90.00	
Inspector of Wiring Expenses .....	2.50	92.50
Dog Officer (To cover fees) .....		100.00
Moth Department .....		900.00
Forest Warden .....		150.00
Tree Warden .....		200.00
Town Forest .....		100.00

### Health and Sanitation

Board of Health .....		2,300.00
Public Health Nurse .....		1,150.00
Inspector of Animals .....		100.00
Inspector of Slaughtering .....		20.00
Inspector of Milk .....		20.00
Essex County T. B. Hospital .....		588.74

### Highway

Highway Department .....		5,000.00
Snow and Washouts .....		2,000.00
Sidewalks, Railings and Bridges ....		100.00
Rocks Bridge .....		1,200.00
Street Lights .....		2,468.72

### Charities

State Aid ....		400.00
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Public Welfare .....	24,500.00
Soldiers' Relief .....	4,000.00
Mothers' Aid .....	1,560.00
Old Age Assistance .....	12,000.00

### Schools and Libraries

School Committee (Chairman) .....	50.00	
School Committee (Clerk) .....	75.00	
School Committee (Other) .....	50.00	175.00
School Department .....		28,000.00
Public Library .....		900.00

### Unclassified

Memorial Day (American Legion) .....	125.00
Vocational Education .....	200.00
Town Counsel Fees .....	75.00
Lighting Town Buildings .....	675.95
Insurance .....	2,300.00
Reserve Fund .....	500.00
Water Extension Note .....	2,000.00
Interest .....	1,000.00
Cemeteries .....	1,000.00
Municipal Loan Note .....	3,600.00
Vital Statistics .....	150.00
Water in Town Buildings .....	317.88
Printing Town Reports .....	300.00

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\$114,563.29

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN K. SARGENT,  
 FRED E. SWEETSIR, M. D.  
 FRED G. NEWTON,  
 W. H. FRANKLIN,  
 HARRY A. PEASE,

Merrimac Finance Committee.

## REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:-

Gentlemen,

As Chief of the Police Department of the Town of Merimac, I hereby submit the annual report of the Department for the year 1935:

The general business and routine work of the Department is about the same as in previous years.

The department consists of a chief and one patrolman on regular duty, with five special officers for duty as occasion requires.

During the year the sum of \$958.00 was returned to the Town in Court fines, through the efforts of this department.

In the year just ended there were 24 auto accidents reported, in which 27 persons were injured and one killed.

In the early fall the car tracks were removed from Main Street and the surface of the street renewed, causing automobile operators to have a tendency to increase speed. This has, and will, require constant supervision in order to curb this growing menace. To date, disciplinary action has been taken against numerous operators for this offence.

The department has kept within its appropriation and ended the year with a small balance.

### Miscellaneous Business

Auto accidents reported .....	24
Autos stolen and recovered here .....	2
Assistance to other departments .....	11
Assistance to Federal officers .....	1
Assistance to medical examiner .....	3
Complaints investigated .....	312
Court fines for use of town .....	\$810.00
Court fines for use of Commonwealth .....	\$730.00
Bicycles reported stolen .....	1
Doors and windows found open and secured .....	16



Dead bodies found .....	1
Days attendance at District Court (Chief) .....	95
Days attendance at District Court (Night Officer) .....	14
Days attendance at District Court (Special Officers) .....	8
Days attendance at Grand Jury (Chief) .....	1
Days attendance at Superior Court (Chief) .....	10
Days attendance at Superior Court (Night Officer) .....	3
Disturbances suppressed without arrest .....	11
Defects in sidewalks and streets reported .....	8
Escorts furnished processions .....	1
Headlight and equipment inspections held .....	3
Injured and sick persons assisted .....	19
Lights furnished dangerous places .....	3
Lights found burning in buildings .....	22
Fires discovered and alarm rang .....	2
Fires discovered and extinguished without alarm ..	2
Leaks in water pipes discovered and reported .....	1
Lost and runaway children returned to parents ....	9
Messages delivered .....	37
Number of animals disposed of .....	12
Number of assignments of officers .....	211
Obstructions removed from street .....	2
Reports of gas leaks .....	1
Search warrants served .....	1
Stray animals returned to owners .....	6
Value of property stolen .....	\$132.00
Value of property recovered .....	73.00
Witness subpoena's served .....	12
Witness notified for Superior Court .....	4
Wires down and reported .....	1

#### Number of Arrests for the Year

Male .....	128
Female .....	5
Total .....	133
Resident .....	29
Non-resident .....	104
Charged as follows:	
Assault .....	7
Drunk .....	14
Delinquents .....	3

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Delinquency, aiding in .....	11
Escaped prisoner .....	1
Insane .....	1
Injury to property .....	4
Larceny .....	3
Neglect of child .....	1
Neglect of family .....	2
Safe-keeping .....	5
Truancy .....	1
Violation of motor vehicle laws .....	78
Violation of probation .....	12

## Disposed of as follows:

- 10 Continued.
- 1 Defaulted
- 3 Discharged.
- 2 Dismissed.
- 54 Fined a total of \$890.00.
- 7 Fined a total of \$560.00. Appealed.
- 1 Fined \$100.00. Suspended.
- 12 For other Police departments.
- 1 For Superior Court.
- 14 Found guilty. Filed.
- 3 Received suspended sentences totaling 90 days.
- 17 Released.
- 1 Returned to institution.
- 1 Sentenced to institution and appealed.
- 2 Sentenced to institutions for a total period of 8 months.
- 2 Sentenced to "Keep the Peace." Appealed.
- 2 Sentenced and committed to institutions for indefinite periods.

I desire to thank the Honorable Board of Selectmen, His Honor Judge Pettingell, the Associate Justices, Clerk of the District Court, the Probation Officer, the Officers of the Department, and to the towns-people for their kindly co-operation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES P. DONAHUE,

Chief of Police.



## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF WIRES YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1935

To the Hon. Board of Selectmen:

House and building inspections .....	128
Factory .....	6
Gas stations .....	16
Neon light signs .....	2
Motors .....	27
Wiring found defective .....	15
Defective fixtures and appliances .....	20
Stray wires .....	3
Buildings rewired for safety .....	4
Wires destroyed by fire in buildings .....	3

The Light Department has adopted a plan to place all electric meters on outside of residences, when possible which in my opinion, is a very good idea.

I wish to thank the Electric Light Department for their assistance and courtesy.

Yours respectfully,

JOHN E. BEAN,

Ins. of Wires.

## REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Gentlemen:

As Town Clerk of the Town of Merrimac, I hereby submit the annual report for the year 1935:

### Births

Number of births returned .....	32
Males .....	14
Females .....	18
Father, native born .....	25
Mother, native born .....	30

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Father and mother, both native born .....	25
Father and mother, both foreign born .....	2
Mixed parentage .....	2

### Marriages

Number of marriages recorded .....	30
First marriage of groom .....	28
First marriage of bride .....	29
Grooms, native born .....	30
Brides, native born .....	28
Grooms, foreign born .....	0
Brides, foreign born .....	2
Average age of groom—28 years, 11 months, 18 days	
Average age of bride—26 years, 0 months, 12 days	

### Deaths

Number of deaths recorded .....	17
Males .....	9
Females .....	8
Under, 5 years .....	3
Males, native born .....	6
Females, native born .....	6
Males, foreign born .....	3
Females, foreign born .....	2
Of native parentage .....	7
Of mixed parentage .....	2
Average age—55 years, 11 months, 11 days	
Oldest person—87 years, 3 months, 5 days	

### Licenses

Number of dogs licensed .....	135
Males .....	124
Females .....	11
Sporting licenses issued .....	97
Minors sporting licenses issued .....	6

Respectfully submitted,

C. HOWARD PHILLIPS,

Town Clerk.



## TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

To the Citizens of Merrimac:

During the year of 1935 all payments on maturing debt and temporary loans have been met when due as usual. The total outstanding funded debt as of December 31, 1935 was \$12,800.00.

Satisfactory rates were obtained on tax anticipation loans throughout the year and the interest appropriation showed an unexpended balance of \$684.14.

The tax title question has become more of a problem but every effort is made to assist owners to redeem their property.

Respectfully submitted,

ROY C. JOURNEAY,

Town Treasurer.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Citizens of Merrimac:

The Board of Assessors submit the following report for the year 1935.

### Recapitulation

Town appropriations .....	\$125,690.65
1933 overlay .....	1,277.34
State tax .....	2,565.00
Auditing municipal account .....	32.84
Municipal light tax .....	5.00
State park and reservation .....	25.00
County tax .....	2,461.22
Tuberculosis Hospital .....	539.77
Overlay .....	2,690.00
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	\$ 135,286.82

### Estimated Receipts

Income tax .....	6,300.71
Corporation tax .....	1,133.46

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Race track distribution .....	125.00	
Motor vehicle excise .....	2,500.00	
Licenses .....	963.67	
Fines .....	882.00	
Special assessments .....	89.80	
General government .....	751.55	
Protection of persons and prop- erty .....	396.23	
Health and sanitation .....	1,128.02	
Charities .....	11,562.27	
Old age assistance .....	3,615.05	
Soldiers benefits .....	554.69	
Schools .....	4,442.50	
Library .....	94.63	
Public service enterprise .....	2,000.00	
Cemeteries .....	534.30	
Interest on taxes .....	2,392.42	
Available funds voted .....	5,722.40	
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Net amount to be raised .....	\$	90,068.12
764 Poll taxes .....	1,528.00	
Valuation \$1,756,750. rate \$50.40	88,540.12	
	<hr/>	90,068.12

## Abatements Made 1935

On levy 1932 .....	811.35
On levy 1933 .....	2,293.59
On levy 1934 .....	2,135.00
On levy 1935 .....	1,630.75

## Table of Aggregates

Value of real estate .....	1,633,110.00
Value of personal property .....	123,640.00
Value of automobiles .....	105,460.00
Number of automobiles .....	607
Number of horses .....	47
Number of cows .....	204
Number of neat cattle .....	39



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Number of fowl .....	600
Number of houses .....	715
Number of acres of land .....	4,840
Number of persons and partnerships assessed	871

Respectfully yours,

CLIFFORD R. HOWE,  
GEORGE B. CROFUT,  
WILLIAM H. WHITING.

## REPORT OF COLLECTOR OF TAXES

## 1935 Poll

Dr.

Tax Warrant .....\$ 1,528.00

Cr.

By cash paid to Town Treasurer .....	\$ 782.00	
By abatements .....	36.00	
By uncollected taxes .....	710.00	
		<hr/> 1,528.00

FRED C. TWOMBLY,  
Collector of Taxes.

## 1935 Motor Vehicle Excise

Dr.

Tax warrant .....	\$ 3,008.95	
To interest received .....	.89	
		<hr/> \$ 3,009.84

Cr.

By cash paid to Town Treasurer .....	\$ 2,054.14	
By abatements .....	110.07	
By uncollected taxes .....	845.63	
		<hr/> 3,009.84

**1935 Real Estate, Personal, Moth, Water Liens**

Dr.

To 1935 tax warrant .....	\$90,225.67
To interest received .....	21.74
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	\$90,247.41

Cr.

By cash paid to Town Treasurer .....	\$46,856.14
By abatements .....	1,924.27
By uncollected taxes .....	41,467.00
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	90,247.41

**1934 Water Lien Account**

Dr.

Water Lien Warrant .....	\$ 816.79
To interest received (Tax title account) .....	14.94
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	\$ 831.73

Cr.

By cash paid to Town Treasurer .....	\$ 129.95
Amt. added to Tax title .....	226.92
By uncollected taxes .....	474.86
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	831.73

**1934 Real Estate, Personal, Moth and Poll**

Dr.

To 1934 uncollected taxes (last report) .....	\$40,368.85
To interest received .....	422.85
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	\$40,791.70

Cr.

By cash paid to Town Treasurer .....	\$16,944.59
By amt. added to tax title account ....	1,283.58
By abatements .....	2,286.12
By uncollected taxes .....	20,277.41
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	40,791.70

## TOWN REPORT

**1934 Motor Vehicle Excise**

Dr.

To uncollected taxes (last report) .....	\$ 706.86
Interest received .....	4.45
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	\$ 711.31

Cr.

By cash paid to Town Treasurer .....	169.43
By abatements .....	11.94
By uncollected taxes .....	529.94
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	711.31

**1933 Real Estate, Personal, Old Age, Moth, Poll**

Dr.

To uncollected taxes (last report) .....	\$13,376.27
Interest and costs .....	830.49
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	\$14,206.76

Cr.

By cash paid to Town Treasurer .....	\$ 9,188.53
By abatements .....	2,693.56
Taken for Town on Tax title .....	404.74
By uncollected taxes .....	1,919.93
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	14,206.76

**REPORT OF COLLECTOR OF TAXES**

Fred C. Twombly, Collector in account with the Town of  
Merrimac

**1933 Motor Vehicle Excise**

Dr.

To uncollected taxes (last report) .....	\$ 222.77
To interest received .....	.68
Demands .....	.35
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	\$223.80

Cr.

By cash paid to Town Treasurer .....	\$ 9.97
By uncollected taxes .....	213.83
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	223.80



## ANNUAL REPORT OF PLAYGROUND COMMISSIONERS

To the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

The Playground Commissioners herein submit their fourth annual report for the year ending December 31, 1935.

There was no money spent this year.

We wish to thank a group of Junior High boys who assisted in rolling the field at the beginning of the season also a group of men who at various times cut the grass in the infield with lawnmowers.

We also wish to thank Willard T. Kelley for use of lumber for the goal posts for the Girls' Field Hockey team.

It seems too bad that when a person is kind enough to lend some lumber to add to the enjoyment and pleasure of the school students that the boys cannot refrain from destroying it on Hallowe'en.

It would be very convenient if a small sum of money was made available for use by the commission to purchase supplies for small improvements, therefore we recommend that the sum of \$25.00 be raised and appropriated for this purpose in the year 1936.

Respectfully submitted,

HOMER R. SARGENT

RAYMOND J. BAGLEY

WILLARD T. KELLEY

KENNETH L. BREED, Secretary

FREDERICK E. SWEETSIR, M. D.,

Chairman

Playground Commissioners.

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF CEMETERIES

To the Selectmen and Citizens of Merrimac:

Another year has passed and we are called upon to tell our fellow citizens what we have done with the funds they have entrusted to our care.

We are glad to do this for we feel that we have obtained good results from the money spent.

We have taken the usual care of the original grounds and have had more ERA money with which we have removed stumps and rocks from the new addition on top of Locust Grove hill and have seeded it down and have obtained a good catch of grass.

We have had a plan made, so that we may be able to offer lots for sale this Summer.

We have decided to sell these lots at a price which will include Perpetual Care, so that there will be no uncared for lots to mar the appearance of a large lawn.

At the lower side of our property we have something of a problem in the water which flows across this part of the cemetery from a bog hole outside of our land.

This calls for a money outlay for drain tile which we do not feel like asking the town to furnish, in view of the present high tax rate, but we have asked for government aid which was granted last fall, on a project which also included rebuilding the stone walls on four sides of the cemetery, gravel on drives, also several other improvements, but when we were expecting every day to receive word to start work we were informed that everything had been postponed until March.

It is perhaps needless for us to say that we were astounded, when upon inquiry we found that some one had been to Salem and caused the whole project to be shelved unknown to us, the sponsors.

We hope for action in the Spring but we can never tell how long the money will continue to come.



If we can get this section worked, it will open up a fine tract.

We have asked for a project for the other two cemeteries to be worked next Summer which if granted will greatly improve these also.

RICHARD A. SARGENT,  
CLARENCE O. LIBBY,  
CHAS. A. LANCASTER,  
Cemetery Trustees.

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Trustees of the Merrimac Public Library submit this their fifty-ninth annual report.

The financial report of the library is included in the Town Accountant's report.

The interest in the library has been very well maintained, although not quite as many books were circulated as last year. The circulation this year was 18,138 volumes, of which 1,036 were non-fiction.

The fines collected, amounting to \$90.17, were turned over to the Town Treasurer.

Under the ERA a project was started to catalogue and repair the books in the library, and to index maps, pamphlets and other material. Unfortunately, for some reason or other, this project could not be transferred to the WPA and as a result is about 70 percent completed.

During the year there were 329 books added to the library, and the trustees wish to thank the following who donated either books or periodicals: Mrs. Harry Worcester, Miss S. I. Sayre, Mr. A. F. Heath, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Chemical Foundation of New York, Mr. John Deere, Mr. Cecil Welch and the publishers of the following magazines and papers, American Issue, International Student, National Republic, New England Poultryman,



Our Dumb Animals, Specialty Salesman and Christian Science Monitor.

Your trustees would recommend an appropriation of \$900.00 for the ensuing year that the present policies may be continued.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVIN F. HEATH,  
JOHN B. JUDKINS,  
ABBIE W. SARGENT,  
HARRIET J. DAVIS,  
FRANK E. WALKER,  
CHARLES E. HOYT.

#### REPORT OF FIRE ENGINEERS

To the Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

The Board of Engineers submit their report for the year ending December 31, 1935.

Number of alarms, 43. Fire loss \$6,342. Value of property, \$28,900.

The department responded to calls from Newton, N. H. and Haverhill, Mass.

A number of improvements and repairs were made at the Central Fire Station, new doors have been installed which were badly needed. The hall which had not been repaired for years is now in first class condition, a new floor laid, walls and ceiling painted, rewired and new fixtures installed, also, four radiators installed. The lower rooms and Engineers room were painted. This work was all done under ERA projects costing the Town for the material used, only.

We recommend that the sum of \$975 be appropriated for the purchase of new fire alarm boxes and cost of install-

ing the same. We also recommend that the sum of \$400, be appropriated for the purchase of hose.

We recommend that the sum of \$3,200 be appropriated for the salaries and general maintenance of the department for the year 1936.

Respectfully submitted,

AARON A. HUME,  
J. ARTHUR OLLIS,  
F. O. BAILEY,

Board of Fire Engineers.

## REPORT OF TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

To the Selectmen of the Town of Merrimac:

Report of the Merrimac Town Forest Committee to  
January 1, 1936.

20,000 four year old pine trees were planted in our forest during the past year. 11,000 of these were planted on Red Oak Hill area, and 4200 on land at the Pumping Station. 4300 trees were planted in the forest on the high land above Winter Street, making a total of 85,000 trees set out to date.

The government has financed projects this year in our forest. Wood has been cut, roads built and fire lanes have been made, also one bridge constructed, five tile drains laid from 14 to 24 inches, 315 loads of fill from bank in the forest, and 98 loads of gravel from the gravel bank in the forest used on the new roads. 1150 feet of fence were built, the posts being taken from the forest. There are now about 40 posts cut and ready for use. 362 cords of wood have been cut. On January first of this year there are still 40 cords left in the forest.

On March 4, 1935 it was voted to spend \$300 for forest work. From this amount \$4.85 was turned back to the town, unused. A bill of \$3.63 for lumber was presented too late last year and must be paid out of funds for 1936.

The money, voted by the town to be used for forest work, was spent as follows:

Trimming 1500 trees and cutting brush	
from 50 acres, labor .....	\$257.40
Express on trees .....	13.40
Express on returned containers .....	1.60
Printing signs .....	4.00
Material for fence, and trucking .....	18.75
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	\$ 295.15
Balance returned .....	4.85
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Total .....	\$ 300.00
185 cords of wood sold to the town .....	740.00
2 cords of wood sold for cash .....	8.00
130 cords of wood sold ERA .....	520.00
84 trees for planting .....	168.00
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	\$1,436.00
Balance for 1934 .....	201.46
Balance for 1935 .....	1,436.00
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	\$1,637.46
Cost of old forest .....	950.00
Amount of 1935 appropriation spent .....	295.15
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	\$1,245.15

There is a balance of \$392.31 over cost and expenses of forest to date, plus 40 cords of wood cut and about 40 cedar posts.

The trees set out during the years are making a fine growth, and the many improvements that have been made possible by the government's help, make our forest one of the best in the state. The saving to the town for wood is a large sum. This will continue each year. The roads built make it possible for our fire fighters to reach almost all parts of the forest acres.

We hope that some day some public-spirited citizen



will make available funds to build an observatory on the high point of Red Oak Hill, where a fine view of the ocean can be seen.

FRANK N. RAND,  
JAMES T. COLGAN,  
SAMUEL C. DOUST.

### JURY LIST

As prepared by the Selectmen of the Town of Merri-  
mac in compliance with Chapter 234, Section 4, of the Gen-  
eral Laws, for the year 1935.

Raymond J. Bagley, West Main Street, draftsman.  
Herbert F. Bailey, Locust Street, auto worker.  
J. Ernest Carroll, Maple Street, auto trimmer.  
Wallace S. Carter, Grove Street, factory supt.  
Thomas H. Chaff, Bear Hill Street, farmer.  
Arthur G. Clay, Locust Street, farmer.  
George B. Crofut, East Main Street, farmer.  
William J. Earle, Prospect Street, auto worker.  
Hazen M. Emery, Judkins Court, clerk.  
William H. Finn, West Main Street, auto trimmer.  
Martin F. Gilmore, East Main Street, laborer.  
Alvin F. Heath, Lincoln Street, auto trimmer.  
John L. Hirst, West Main Street, auto trimmer.  
Irving M. Manning, Locust Grove Avenue, millman.  
J. Arthur Ollis, Main Street, bus driver.  
Harry A. Pease, Main Street, realtor.  
Guy E. Sheldon, Pine Street, laborer.  
Mortimer E. Sullivan, Locust Street, painter.  
Michael J. Travers, Nichols Street, mechanic.  
Benjamin B. Wood, East Main Street, metal worker.  
Franklin A. Chard, Mill Street, painter.  
Clarence H. Colby, Birch Meadow Road, carpenter.  
William J. MacDougall, Orchard Street, auto worker.  
Harry F. George, Main Street, plater.

## COMMODITY DISTRIBUTION MERRIMAC, MASS.

Merchandise received and delivered by the above during 1935.

5,280 cans hamburg (1 lb. 10 oz. per can)  
7,440 cans roast beef (1 lb. 10 oz. per can)  
960 cans veal (1 lb. 10 oz. per can)  
760 cans mutton (1 lb. 10 oz. per can)  
1,308 lbs butter  
1,536 lbs. prunes.  
700 lbs. cheese.  
1,400 lbs. rice.  
2,112 cans milk.  
2,168 dish towels.  
1,094 Turkish towels.  
758 Men's shirts.  
568 nightshirts.  
245 Boys' blouses.  
1,221 diapers.  
2 baby jackets.  
4 Gertrudes.  
595 Ladies' dresses.  
1 baby blanket.  
1,284 sheets (full size).  
1,883 pillowcases (full size).  
218 prs. mittens.  
204 bro. and sister suits.  
222 sister suits.  
144 athletic shirts (Men's).  
612 sweaters (Men's and Children's).  
12 layettes (52 pieces ea.) (687).  
47 Girls' blouses.  
320 slips (Women's and Girls').  
10 infant dresses.  
272 bloomers (Women's and Children's).  
11 baby suits.  
6 Maternity bandages.  
71 combinations.  
2 baby blankets.  
52 pajamas.

4 emergency bundles (52 pieces ea) (208 pieces).  
 10 prs. Men's pants.  
 4 Childrens' suits.  
 2 Girls' overcoats.  
 2 Boys' suits.  
 54 Girls' jersey dresses.  
 16 prs. Boys' knickers.  
 24 Children's leather coats.  
 41 crib sheets.

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12,183 clothing items.  
 450 comforters.  
 392 mattresses.  
 16,552 cans meat and milk.  
 4,944 lbs. cheese, butter, etc.

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34,521 total.

This total does not include 995 pieces in layettes and emergency bundles.

The above is a true copy taken from the records of the Commodity Distribution Project as of Dec. 31, 1935.

J. DUNCAN HOW,

Distribution Project Clerk.

## REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

The following is my report for the year 1935:

	Sealed	Not sealed
Platform scales over 5,000 lbs. ....	6	
Platform scales 100 to 5,000 lbs. ....	6	
Counter scales under 100 lbs. ....	1	
Beam scales under 100 lbs. ....	1	
Spring scales 100 lbs. or over ....	1	
Spring under 100 lbs. ....	16	



Computing scales under 100 lbs. ....	3	
Avoirdupois .....	44	
Liquid measures .....	22	
Gasoline measuring pumps .....	35	9
Gasoline measuring meters .....	8	
Kerosene measuring pumps .....	1	
Oil measuring pumps .....	2	
Quantity measures on pumps .....	220	

Trial weighing of commodities sold or put up for sale:

	Tested	Correct	Under	Over
Bread .....	47	38	8	1
Coal in bags .....	40	35		5
Coal in transit loads .....	6	4		2
Flour in bags .....	18	16	.1	1
Butter in lbs. ....	40	32	1	7
Sugar in bags .....	20	15		5

#### Expenditures

Salary .....	\$ 90.00
Transportation .....	40.56
Equipment, etc. ....	10.44

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\$141.00

#### Receipts

Sealing fees .....	\$38.98
Pedlers license fees ..	8.00

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\$46.98

I wish to thank all persons who assisted me, by reporting cases and other things in the performance of my duties.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD R. EASTMAN,

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

#### REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

To the Hon. Board of Selectmen:

The Public Health Nurse's report for the year 1935 is as follows:

Nursing visits made .....	996
Maternity cases 17—visits made .....	134
Deliveries .....	10

Child welfare visits .....	310
Accident cases 5—visits made .....	33
Impetigo cases 8—visits made .....	10
Pneumonia cases 5—visits made .....	22
Lagrippe and Influenza cases 6—visits made .....	28
Tuberculosis 1—visits made .....	28
Fractures 2—visits made .....	52
German measles cases 53—visits made .....	68
Rupture cases 1—visits made .....	8
Brights disease cases 2—visits made .....	4
Asthma cases 1—visits made .....	5
Colds cases 18—visits made .....	18
Cancer case 1—visits made .....	2
Attack of appendicitis cases 3—visits made .....	8
Neurotic case 1—visits made .....	8
Infections and poisoning cases 9—visits made .....	14
Scabies cases 23—visits made .....	18
Accompanied patient to Mass. Gen. Hospital .....	2
Accompanied patient to and from children's hospital ....	2
Accompanied S. C. to Haverhill for glasses .....	2
Accompanied S. C. to Dr.'s Office .....	8
To Newburyport with patient .....	5
To Amesbury Hospital with patient .....	1
Number of deaths .....	3

In October the follow-up of the Chadwick clinic was continued by the Essex Co. T. B. Association located at Middleton. The Von Pirquet test was given to 106 pupils in the high and junior high schools, 27 were X-rayed and 4 had physical examination as a result of the test.

In March and November the clinics were held to immunize against diphtheria giving Toxoid to 64 children. 13 were pre-school children.

The pre-school clinic was held June 26 at Centre School; 24 children were examined by Dr. Davis, School Physician.

On September 25, 26, 27 I held a Well Child Conference at Town Hall in which Dr. Susan Coffin, Miss Gertrude Martin, Consultant in Public Health Nursing, and Miss

Fredericka Bienert and Miss Catharine Leamy, Nutritionists, all from the State Dept. of Public Health, also Dr. Davis of Merrimac took part by examining children and holding interviews with parents.

- 74 children were thoroughly examined.
- 19 had slight defects.
- 2 had moderate defects.
- 1 needed immediate attention.
- 7 were 7% underweight.
- 4 were 10% underweight.
- 3 were 15% underweight.
- 1 was 28% underweight.
- 10 have been immunized against diphtheria.
- 1 child has had tonsils and adenoids removed.

On November 8 the second Well Child Conference was held at Town Hall. Thirty-five children were examined, 9 of which were registered on that date.

On November 19, 20 and December 4, three more conferences were held and one new child was registered, making a total of 84 children that now are being followed up.

Yours very truly,

JEAN K. BADASHAW,  
Health Nurse.

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF KIMBALL PARK

To the Selectmen and Citizens of Merrimac:

We as custodians of this Department of the Town property give an account of our doings. We received credit as interest on

Judith Kimball fund .....	\$30.23
Amos Weed fund .....	60.54
	—————\$90.77

We have paid bills

A. D. Bridge, care of grounds .....	\$70.00
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Roy Hoyt, plants .....	4.00	
H. Davis, tools .....	10.35	
Miscellaneous .....	9.65	
	<hr/>	94.00
Bal. January 1, 1935 Town Treas. ....	\$13.00	
Drawn from Weed account .....	81.00	
	<hr/>	94.00
Bal. in Town Treasury .....	\$ 13.50	
Amt. Kimball acct. ....	1,030.23	
Amt. Weed acct. ....	2,002.94	

JOHN W. KIRKPATRICK,  
ALDEN B. MORSE,  
RICHARD A. SARGENT,

Trustees Kimball Park.

## REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

Town of Merrimac, Massachusetts  
Dog Officer: Mr. Charles E. Sande, Harriman Road,  
Merrimac Massachusetts

I hereby report that I have caught, confined, and disposed of the dogs listed below:

Female:

June 11, 1935 .....	\$ 4.00
June 21, 1935 .....	4.00
June 27, 1935 .....	4.00
August 11, 1935 .....	4.00
October 24, 1935 .....	1.00
November 10, 1935 .....	4.00

Male:

June 13, 1935 .....	1.00
August 11, 1935 .....	4.00
August 22, 1935 .....	4.00
August 25, 1935 .....	4.00
October 8, 1935 .....	1.00
October 14, 1935 .....	4.00
September 30, 1935 .....	4.00

November 31, 1935 .....	4.00
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Total amount .....	\$47.00
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The preceding lists are the dogs which I disposed of between the dates of my appointment to this office, on the tenth day of June, to the year ending December thirty-first, nineteen thirty-five.

CHARLES SANDE,  
Dog Officer.

### REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF MILK, ANIMALS AND SLAUGHTER

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I have made the following calls and inspections and issued the following licenses in the past year:

Number of barns inspected .....	50
Number of cattle inspected .....	316
Number of swine inspected .....	31
Inspections made of slaughter .....	9
Milk licenses issued .....	13
Oleomargarine licenses issued .....	2

Respectfully submitted,

FRED H. G. CHASE,  
Inspector of Milk  
Inspector of Animals  
Inspector of Slaughter.

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD

The Municipal Light Board herein submit their thirty-second annual report for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 1935.

Twelve services have been added during the year making a total of 922 lighting services and 15 power services installed.

Estimates under Section 57 of Chapter 164 of the General Laws.

### Estimate of Expense

Gross Expense of Operating .....	\$23,000.00	
Depreciation. 3 % on \$78,909.08 ....	2,367.27	
	<hr/>	\$25,367.27

### Estimated Income

From Private Consumers .....	\$25,500.00	
From Municipal Buildings .....	675.95	
From Street Lights .....	2,468.72	
	<hr/>	\$28,644.67

### Cost of Constructions

Sub Station Equipment .....	\$ 500.00	
Poles, Fixtures, and Overhead Conductors .....	48,045.13	
Meters .....	11,571.16	
Transformers .....	14,562.71	
Street Light Equipment .....	2,878.35	
Transportation Equipment .....	1,351.73	
	<hr/>	\$78,909.08

### Expended for Construction, Year 1935

Construction and Materials .....	\$ 2,737.74	
Meters .....	162.77	
Transformers .....	441.15	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,341.66

### Expended for Operating Expense

Electric Energy Purchased .....	\$15,958.03	
Station Wage .....	588.00	
Rent of Station and Expense .....	560.19	
Maintenance of Meters and Transformers .....	59.75	
Maintenance of Transmission and Distribution Lines .....	3,216.69	
Maintenance and Operation of Street Lights .....	232.62	



Commercial Salaries and Expenses	265.74	
Salaries of Municipal Light Board and Manager .....	1,210.98	
General Office Salaries .....	1,144.00	
General Office Supplies and Ex- penses .....	579.37	
Insurance .....	315.34	
Transportation Expense .....	219.87	
Miscellaneous .....	74.02	
	<hr/>	\$24,424.60
Total Expended for Maintenance and Constructions .....		\$27,766.26
Federal Tax Paid and Deposits Returned .....		15.39
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Total Expenditures .....		\$27,781.65

### Balance Sheet

Construction and Operating Fund		
Jan. 1, 1935 .....	\$ 5,909.35	
Depreciation Fund, Jan. 1, 1935 ....	18,496.83	
Reserve Fund, Jan. 1, 1935 .....	1,764.19	
Received from Light and Power Sales .....	28,171.80	
Received from Miscellaneous In- come .....	1,760.13	
Received from Town Appropriation	3,163.65	
Interest Income .....	612.36	
Federal Tax Collected .....	1.00	
Consumers' Deposits .....	145.00	
	<hr/>	\$60,024.31
Constructions and Renewals .....	3,341.66	
Maintenance and Operating Ex- pense .....	24,424.60	
Depreciation Fund, Jan. 1, 1936 ....	19,055.88	
Reserve Fund, Jan. 1, 1936 .....	1,817.50	
Returned to Town .....	3,163.65	
Federal Tax Paid .....	.39	

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Consumers Deposits returned .....	15.00	
Construction and Operating Fund, Jan. 1, 1936 .....	8,205.63	
	<hr/>	60,024.31

Municipal Light Board,  
CHARLES A. LANCASTER,  
GEORGE F. WILDE,  
JOHN MARSHALL.

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Water Commissioners herein submit their thirty-second annual report.

One service was installed during the year making a total of 766 services now installed.

There are 77 services not in use or 11 more than last year.

#### Estimates for the Ensuing Year

Gross Expense of Operating .....	\$11,000.00	
Constructions .....	832.24	
	<hr/>	\$11,832.24

#### Estimated Income

Water Rates .....	\$10,000.00	
Miscellaneous Income .....	1,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$11,000.00

#### Expended for Constructions

Material and Labor .....	\$1,198.13	
Note Payment .....	2,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$3,198.13

#### Expended for Maintenance

Maintenance—Materials and Labor	\$1,836.48
Fuel .....	1,587.13
Station Supplies and Expense .....	819.97

Station Wages .....	1,240.60	
Superintendent's Salary .....	719.68	
Commissioner s Salary .....	67.50	
Office Salary .....	520.00	
Office Expense .....	285.38	
Interest on Note .....	160.00	
Truck Expense .....	186.64	
Insurance .....	460.72	
Miscellaneous .....	141.94	
	<hr/>	\$8,026.04
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Total Expended for Maintenance and Con- structions .....		\$11,224.17

### Monthly Report of Pumping Station

	Gallons Pumped	Hours Pumped
January .....	6,069,000	223
February .....	4,974,000	185
March .....	5,391,000	197
April .....	5,097,000	189
May .....	6,023,652	213
June .....	6,405,000	232
July .....	6,985,500	250
August .....	8,355,000	281
September .....	4,960,200	183
October .....	5,042,400	186
November .....	4,806,000	179
December .....	5,223,000	193

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Total Gallons Pumped 68,467,752

### Balance Sheet

General Cash Balance, Jan. 1, 1935 \$	1,517.31	
Water Rates Collected .....	10,563.19	
Miscellaneous Income .....	1,181.10	
Water Lien Account .....	87.95	
	<hr/>	\$13,349.55
Transfer from Light Department .. \$	43.80	



Expended for Constructions .....	3,198.13	
Expended for Maintenance .....	8,026.04	
General Cash Balance, Jan. 1, 1936	2,081.58	
	<hr/>	13,349.55

Municipal Water Board,  
 CHARLES A. LANCASTER,  
 GEORGE F. WILDE,  
 JOHN MARSHALL.

### REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby present the Annual Report of the Town Accountant in accordance with Chapter 624, Section 7, of the Revised Laws. I have also presented all such financial matters as may be of general interest.

I express herewith my appreciation of the co-operation and courteous assistance rendered by you and all the other Town officials in complying with the requirements of our system.

Respectfully submitted,

W. HAROLD WHITING,  
 Town Accountant.

### RECEIPTS—GENERAL REVENUE

Taxes:

Current Year—

Poll, Personal, Real

Estate .....\$ 47,523.80

Previous Years—

Poll, Personal, Real

Estate 1934 ..... 16,494.20

Poll, Personal, Real

Estate 1933 ..... 8,353.78

Poll, Personal, Real

Estate 1932 ..... .50

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\$ 72,372.28

## From Commonwealth

## Special State Taxes—

## Income Taxes:

State Valuation .... 5,262.25

Educational ..... 2,306.25

## Corporation Taxes:

Business ..... 957.66

Gas, Electric and  
Water ..... 58.87

Race Track ..... 94.50

Veterans Exemp-  
tion ..... 290.02

Bank ..... 108.00

Trust Co. .... 25.65

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9,103.20

Tax Titles redeemed .... 462.10

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Total from taxes .....\$ 81,937.58

## Old Age Assistance Taxes:

1932 ..... 2.00

1933 ..... 33.00

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Total from Old Age Assistance Taxes ..... 35.00

## Licenses and Permits—

Liquor ..... 1,034.18

All other ..... 156.85

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Total from Licenses ..... 1,191.03

## Fines and Forfeits—

Court ..... 958.00

## Grants and Gifts—

State — Massachusetts School  
Fund ..... 2,344.26

Dog Licenses ..... 92.20

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Total from Grants and Gifts ..... 2,436.46

## Privileges—

Motor Vehicle Taxes 1935 .....	2,052.62
Motor Vehicle Taxes 1934 .....	314.44
Motor Vehicle Taxes 1933 .....	15.31
Motor Vehicle Taxes 1931 .....	2.90

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Total from Privileges ..... 2,385.27

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Total from General Revenue .....\$ 88,943.34

## RECEIPTS—COMMERCIAL REVENUE

## Special Assessments:

Moth 1933 .....	\$ 14.25
Moth 1934 .....	12.60
Moth 1935 .....	62.30
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	89.15

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Total from Special Assessments ..... 89.15

RECEIPTS —COMMERCIAL REVENUE; Departmental  
General Government

## Town Hall

Rent of hall .....	\$ 52.00
Rent of offices .....	676.05
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	728.05

## Protection of Persons and Property—

## Moth

Spraying trees .....	26.78
Sealer of Weights and Measures fees .....	38.98
Wood from forest	112.00
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	177.76

## Board of Health

State—T. B. Subsidi- dy .....	521.42
Health Nurses fees	27.00
John Hancock In- surance Nursing fees .....	24.50



Metropolitan In-		
surance Nursing		
fees .....	18.00	
State Ins. of Ani-		
mals .....	50.00	
State, Dog Vaccine	35.50	
	<hr/>	676.42

## Highways

State—Chapter 81 ..	4,650.00	
State—Chapter 90 ..	11,483.47	
County—Chapter 90	3,826.49	
State—Special 464 ..	1,550.00	
State—Chapter 81 ..	2.75	
Town Hire Road Ma-		
chinery .....	2,347.26	
	<hr/>	23,859.97

## Charities

State—outside relief	6,081.29	
State—Old Age .....	3,547.71	
Towns—outside re-		
lief .....	4,215.16	
Individuals .....	122.00	
State—Mothers Aid	1,285.94	
Towns—Mothers Aid	53.33	
Towns—Old Age ....	274.50	
Individuals—Soldiers		
Relief .....	25.00	
	<hr/>	15,604.93

## State Aid

Soldiers Benefits .....	330.00
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## Schools

Tuition .....	85.00
Teachers Contribu-	
tion .....	87.83
State—Tuition of chil-	
dren .....	525.52
State — Superinten-	
dent .....	483.34

## TOWN REPORT

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Reimbursement trans- portation .....	4.95	
Reimbursement tele- phone .....	1.25	
Sale of paper .....	1.50	
Vocational .....	2.50	
	<hr/>	1,191.89
Public Library		
Fines .....	90.17	
Trust funds .....	950.00	
	<hr/>	1,040.17
Kimball Park		
Trust Funds .....	94.50	
	<hr/>	94.50
Cemeteries		
Sale of lots .....	35.00	
Care of lots .....	30.00	
	<hr/>	65.00
Cemetery perpetual care funds ..		759.50
Public Service Enterprises—		
Light Department—		
Sale of light .....	23,188.25	
Sale of power .....	8,147.59	
Miscellaneous sales	1,716.63	
Consumers deposits	145.00	
Federal tax .....	.61	
	<hr/>	33,198.08
Water Department—		
Meter rates .....	10,563.19	
Miscellaneous sales	1,181.10	
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Interest		
Taxes		
1931 .....	.54	
1933 .....	757.85	
1934 .....	414.16	
1935 .....	51.64	

## TOWN REPORT

Demands, Costs, Tax		
Titles .....	48.78	
	<hr/>	1,272.97
Tax Titles Releases		
Fees .....	3.00	
	<hr/>	3.00
Water Liens		
Collected .....	160.95	
	<hr/>	160.95
Refunds		
Reimbursement axe ..	1.80	
Transportation wood	2.00	
Treasurer's checks ..	43.99	
Rocks Bridge .....	4.00	
Telephone .....	3.30	
ERA .....	8.00	
	<hr/>	63.09
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Total from Commercial Revenue .....		90,970.57

## RECEIPTS—NON-REVENUE

Temporary Loans (In Anticipation of Revenue) .....	73,000.00	
Special State Highway Chapter 44 Section 6A .....	15,000.00	
Public Library .....	412.50	
Dog licenses .....	277.20	
Printing .....	42.00	
Cemetery .....	950.00	
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Total .....		89,681.70
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Total from General Revenue, Commercial Revenue, Special Assessment and Non Revenue .....		\$269,684.76
Cash Balance January 1, 1935 .....		3,817.01
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		\$273,501.77



## EXPENDITURES—GENERAL GOVERNMENT

## Legislative—

Salary, Moderator ....	\$12.00	\$12.00
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## Selectmen's Department

Salary .....	337.50
Printing and postage	146.65
Transportation .....	42.93
Taking Census .....	48.00
Supplies .....	103.19

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678.27

## Public Welfare Department

Salary .....	337.50	337.50
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## Accounting Department

Salary .....	993.59
Supplies .....	91.26

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1,084.85

## Treasurer's Department

Salary .....	270.00
Printing and postage	272.63
Certification of notes	8.00
Transportation .....	4.80

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555.43

## Collector's Department

Salary 1933 .....	130.58
Salary 1934 .....	285.16
Salary 1935 .....	475.14
Printing and postage	132.22
Supplies .....	9.66
Registry of Deeds ....	4.26
Advertising property	50.00

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1,087.02

## Assessors' Department

Salary .....	650.00
Printing and postage	189.40
Transportation .....	8.00

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847.40

## Law Department

Salary .....	75.00	75.00
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## Town Clerk

Salary .....	225.00
Recording fees .....	7.25
Printing and postage	30.81
Supplies .....	5.02

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268.08

## Election Officers

Salary .....	84.00	84.00
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## Registrars

Salary .....	112.50	112.50
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## Bonding Town Officers

Light and Water Coll.	50.00
Tax Collector .....	140.00
Treasurer .....	70.00
Town Clerk .....	5.00
Light and Water Mgr.	5.00

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270.00

## Vital Statistics

Fees .....	4.50	4.50
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## Town Hall Maintenance

Salary Janitor .....	120.00
Services Janitor .....	284.00
Other Expenses	
Fuel .....	407.96
Light .....	12.60
Janitor's supplies	52.09

# TOWN REPORT

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Telephone .....	96.55
Supplies .....	82.83

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1,056.03

## Town Hall Repairs

Electrician .....	5.75
Plumbing .....	1.65
Carpenter .....	8.79
Building step in Town	
Hall .....	69.84
Material .....	4.50

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90.53

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Total for General Government .....\$ 6,563.11

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

### Police Department

#### Salaries and Services:

Chief of Police ....	\$1,460.00
Night Patrol .....	1,252.00
Special Officers ....	336.00

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\$ 3,048.00

#### Other Expenses:

Telephone .....	97.39
Transportation .....	180.55
Posting warrants ..	4.00
Meals for prisoners	8.25
Matron .....	2.00
Pictures automobile	
accident .....	4.00
Special labor .....	24.10
Postage and print-	
ing .....	15.00



Supplies and office  
equipment .....

58.09

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 393.38

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 \$ 3,441.38

### Fire Department

#### Salaries and Services:

Engineers ..... 180.00

Supt. of Fire

Alarms ..... 100.00

Stewards ..... 110.00

Call Men ..... 1,944.00

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 2,334.00

#### Other Expenses

Stamps ..... 2.00

Fuel ..... 288.05

Repairing Appara-  
tus .....

74.52

Telephone ..... 58.98

Motor expense ..... 58.62

Supplies ..... 43.04

Fire alarms ..... 33.00

Repairs to building 276.98

Apparatus ..... 15.47

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 850.66

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 3,184.66

### Forest Warden

Labor ..... 39.50

Supplies ..... 109.88

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 149.38

149.38

### Moth Department

#### Salaries and Services

Superintendent .... 164.70

## TOWN REPORT

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Other Employees ..	408.80		
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		573.50	
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## Other Expenses

Teams .....	50.75
Insecticides .....	138.48
Storage .....	36.00
Motor expense .....	11.91
Signs ....	4.00
Printing .....	10.75
Equipment .....	74.34
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		326.23	
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			899.73
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## Tree Warden

Labor .....	258.35
Motor expense .....	10.40
Equipment .....	12.00
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		280.75	
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			280.75
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## Dog Officer

Services .....	47.00
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			47.00
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## Town Forest

Labor .....	257.40
Express .....	15.00
Signs .....	4.00
Supplies .....	18.75
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		295.15	
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			295.15
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## Inspector of Wires

Salary .....	90.00
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			90.00
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### Sealer of Weights and Measures

Salary .....	90.00
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#### Other Expenses

Transportation .....	40.56
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Equipment .....	10.44
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	141.00	141.00
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Total for Protection of Persons and Property ....	\$ 8,529.05
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## HEALTH AND SANITATION

### Board of Health

#### Tuberculosis:

Board and Treatment at Essex

Sanatorium .....	\$ 2,055.60
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#### Other Expenses:

Board and treatment other cities	112.00
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Rabies vaccine .....	35.50
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Transportation .....	15.00
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Burial cats .....	4.00
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Burial dogs .....	3.00
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Burial skunk .....	1.00
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Advertising regulations .....	62.00
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Postage .....	.18
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	232.68
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	2,288.28
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### Public Health Nurse

Salary .....	1,030.75
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Motor expense .....	135.38
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Postage and stationery .....	1.06
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	1,167.19
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## TOWN REPORT

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## Inspection

Inspector of Animals	100.00
Inspector of Slaughter .....	20.00
Inspector of Milk ....	20.00

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140.00

## Essex County Tuberculosis Sanatorium

Maintenance assessment for 1934 .....	539.77	539.77
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Total for Health and Sanitation .....\$ 4,135.24

## HIGHWAYS

## Highway Department

Superintendent .....	599.25
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## Other Expenses:

Labor .....	2,185.78
Town truck .....	1,033.20
Town machinery ..	529.98
Other trucks .....	1,778.00
Stone and gravel ..	531.30
Equipment, repairs	177.03
Telephone .....	25.28
Teams .....	36.00
Kerosene .....	1.06
Supplies .....	25.38
Fuel .....	10.75
Lumber .....	13.56
Express .....	.77
Gasoline .....	10.51
Road material .....	2,704.13

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9,062.73

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9,661.98

## Snow Removal

Superintendent .....	309.70
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## Other Expenses

Labor .....	1,406.30	
Trucks .....	924.40	
Town truck .....	331.65	
Equipment, repairs	4.65	
Sidewalk plowing	219.81	
Tractor .....	304.00	
Horses .....	31.97	
Gravel .....	6.40	
Telephone .....	10.31	
Salt .....	4.20	
Hauling wood .....	9.80	
Repairs to plow ....	71.21	
Supplies .....	47.62	
		3,372.32
		3,682.02

Sidewalks, Railings and  
Bridges

Labor .....	6.00	
Pipe and coupling ....	7.73	
		13.73

## Street Lights

Bill for 1934 appropriation .....	2,583.90
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## Rocks Bridge

Assessment for 1934 .....	1,328.08
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## Road Machinery Account

Gasoline .....	384.11	
Repairs:		
Parts .....	375.88	
Labor .....	117.14	
Registry .....	4.00	
Repairs .....	7.56	
		888.69
		888.69

Oiling Pleasant Street  
Merrimacport

Labor .....	29.80
Gravel .....	4.50
Trucks ....	16.50
Town truck .....	16.80
Town tractor .....	6.00
Road machine .....	.45
Asphalt .....	97.50

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171.55      171.55

Chapter 90 Rebuilding  
Main Street

Salaries and wages ..	209.15
Town truck .....	31.50
Notice in press .....	15.30
Transportation .....	5.80
Trucks .....	46.40
Horses .....	4.00
Proposals in press adv. ....	75.75
Oiling detour .....	254.87
Payments to James E. Watkins Co. Inc.	16,549.09
Repairs to gutter ....	2.75
Tarvia .....	44.00

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17,238.61

Chapter 464 Acts 1935  
Sidewalk construc-  
tion so called bond  
issue

Foreman .....	191.63
Labor .....	582.06
Weighing rock .....	.70
Tools .....	3.85
Gravel .....	3.30
Kerosene, gasoline ..	33.42
Supplies .....	3.69



Lumber and forms ....	111.05
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929.70

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Total for Highways .....	\$ 36,498.26
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### CHARITIES

#### Public Welfare

Groceries and provisions .....	10,370.09
Board and care .....	4,942.54
Cash .....	191.00
Medical care and medicine .....	1,678.46
Rent .....	2,845.50
Fuel .....	2,299.79
Cloth, shoes, and clothing .....	950.03
Burial .....	100.00
State Infirmary .....	242.42
Blanks and forms ....	22.14
Transportation C. C. C. boys .....	43.37
Transportation .....	46.23
Sharpening tools .....	7.50
Trucking Federal foods .....	44.70
Storage Federal foods	125.00
Amesbury Hospital ..	150.95
Benson Hospital .....	124.00

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24,183.72

#### Mothers Aid

Cash .....	1,392.00
Fuel .....	74.89
Medical aid, medicine	60.45
Clothing .....	4.00

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1,531.34

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## Old Age Assistance

Cash .....	9,531.67
Fuel .....	62.75
Medical and medicine	246.50

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 9,840.92

## State Aid

Cash .....	360.00	360.00
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## Soldiers Relief

Clothing .....	52.23
Fuel .....	286.03
Rent .....	757.00
Medical aid .....	526.67
Moving .....	11.50
Groceries and provisions .....	1,474.55
Board .....	40.00
Cash .....	749.00

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 3,896.98

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 Total for Charities .....\$ 39,812.96

## SCHOOLS

## Schools

Total spent year 1935 ..... 28,245.92

Itemized detail given in School report classified as per State Educational requirements.

## Vocational Training

Haverhill Trade School .....	63.13
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## Public Library

Librarians' salaries ..	500.00
Care of grounds .....	148.30

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 648.30

## Books and Periodicals

Books .....	455.46
Periodicals .....	43.82

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 499.28

## Binding

Books .....	55.68	55.68
Heating and Lighting	237.67	237.67

## Other Expenses

Binder, cards and seals .....	27.25
Repairs .....	109.00
Janitor's supplies	10.05
Postage .....	3.59
Express .....	.35
Supplies .....	12.17
Librarian's expense	10.32
Rental of type- writer .....	32.18

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 204.91

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 Total for Library ..... 1,645.84

## RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

## Memorial Day

American Legion .....	125.00	125.00
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## Kimball Park

Water .....	8.65
Lettering .....	1.00
Supplies .....	10.35
Plants .....	4.00
Labor .....	70.00

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 94.00

## Insurance

Health Nurse .....	57.60
Town Buildings .....	538.82



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Fireman .....	243.75
Fire Trucks .....	36.49
Fire Dept. Boiler ....	76.50
Tax Collector .....	32.50
Forgery .....	20.63
Workmen's Compensa- tion .....	770.06
Highway Tractor .....	63.35
Highway Truck .....	76.40
Town Boilers .....	154.00

2,070.10

## Insurance 1934

Pumper .....	28.50	28.50
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## Printing

Caucus Ballots .....	42.00	42.00
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## Printing Town Reports

800 reports .....	271.00	271.00
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## ERA Projects

## Apple pest

Sharpening tools ..	3.50
Transportation .....	17.05
Kerosene .....	.45

21.00

## Cemetery

Pipe .....	93.85
Sharpening tools ..	1.65
First Aid Kit .....	.45
Plans ...	6.70
Supplies .....	45.33

147.98

## Tree Trimming

Truck hire .....	116.75
Lumber .....	5.16
Sharpening tools ..	6.40

Transportation .....	20.88
Tools .....	26.23
Supplies .....	31.43

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206.85
Commodity Distribu-  
tion

Bags .....	3.59
Boxes .....	3.67
Office supplies .....	11.26
Trucking Fed. foods .....	69.00

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87.52

## High School Playground

Shovels and wheel-  
barrows .....

51.00

51.00

## Assessors

Office supplies ....	11.30
Rent typewriter ....	15.00

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26.30

## Swimming

First Aid .....

1.60

1.60

## Sewing

Rent .....	135.00
Light .....	4.78
Pins .....	.80
Paper .....	3.98
Truck hire .....	7.50
Thread .....	54.31
Repairs to machin- ery .....	8.75
Oil .....	4.49
Books .....	1.95
Patterns .....	1.60
Supplies .....	40.39

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263.55

## TOWN REPORT

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## Clearing Roads

Brush cutter and axes .....	11.75	11.75
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## Administrative

Truck hire .....	17.78
Office supplies .....	67.73
Telephone .....	11.45
Lumber .....	.75
Surveying .....	19.25
Rent for openings Federal .....	14.00
Transportation ....	191.95

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322.91

## Fire Lanes

Plans ....	7.50
Lumber .....	1.89
Wrecking Co. ....	11.20
First Aid .....	1.70
Sharpening tools ..	6.95
Reg. and Ins. truck	31.00
Gasoline .....	60.56
Tools .....	63.69

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184.49

## Emery Street

Truck .....	3.50	3.50
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## Snow Removal

Horses .....	4.50	4.50
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## Engine House

Supervisor .....	96.00
Radiators .....	11.16
Truck .....	1.00
Paint, nails, etc. ..	462.44

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570.60



## Town Forest

Tools .....	11.60
Plans .....	8.25
First Aid .....	1.45
Sharpening tools ..	11.80
Horses .....	24.00
Grind stone .....	2.00
Supplies .....	20.32

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 79.42

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 1,982.97

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 Total for Recreation and Unclassified .....\$ 4,613.57

## ENTERPRISES AND CEMETERIES

## County Tax

County of Essex .....	2,589.22	2,589.22
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## State Taxes

State Tax .....	2,700.00
Auditing Accts. ....	32.84
Mun. Light Plant ....	7.83
State Parks and Res- ervations .....	35.54

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 2,776.21

## Public Service Enterprises

Electric Light .....	27,781.65
Water .....	11,224.17

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 39,005.82

 For detail account see Municipal  
Light and Water report.

## Cemeteries

Labor .....	825.82
Loam .....	25.00
Shrubs .....	161.00
Equipment .....	48.35

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Trucking .....	3.50	
Supplies .....	195.83	
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		1,259.50
Surveying Cemetery		
Labor .....	117.15	
Lumber .....	9.25	
Surveying .....	73.60	
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		200.00
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Total for Enterprises and Cemeteries .....		45,830.75

## INTEREST AND INDEBTEDNESS

## Interest

Refund paid on taxes	4.34	
Note Chapter 44 Sec.		
6A .....	17.80	
Municipal Relief .....	504.00	
Anticipation of Revenue .....	489.72	
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		1,015.86

## Municipal Indebtedness

Municipal Loan .....	3,600.00	
Chapter 44 Sec. 6A		
Temporary loan anticipation of reimbursement on Main St. work .....	15,000.00	
Anticipation of Revenue .....	68,000.00	
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		86,600.00
Total Interest and Indebtedness .....		87,615.86

## OTHER PAYMENTS

## Refunds and Transfers

Taxes 1933 .....	33.75
Taxes 1934 .....	38.25
Taxes 1934 .....	119.30
Taxes 1935 .....	100.80
Excise 1935 .....	25.26

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317.36

Lighting Town Buildings .....	579.75
Water in Town Building .....	300.00
Water Liens . .....	73.00
Dog Fees collected .....	379.80
Cemetery Perpetual care .....	950.00
Public Library Trust Funds .....	412.50

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Total other Payments ..... 3,012.41

Total Revenue and Non-Revenue Expenditures ..	\$266,566.10
Cash Balance December 31, 1935 .....	6,935.67

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\$273,501.77



TABLE OF ACCOUNTS

	Refunds and				Total	Payments	Balance
	Appropriations	Transfers	Receipts				
GENERAL GOVERNMENT							
Moderator	\$ 12.00			\$ 12.00	\$ 12.00		
Selectmen	937.50		7.50	945.00	678.27	\$ 266.73	
Public Welfare	337.50			337.50	337.50		
Treasurer	520.00		43.99	563.99	555.43	8.56	
Accountant	1,125.00			1,125.00	1,084.85	40.15	
Tax Collector	850.00			850.00	671.28	178.72	
Counsel	75.00			75.00	75.00		
Town Clerk	275.00			275.00	268.08	6.92	
Assessors	850.00			850.00	847.40	2.60	
Registrars	112.50			112.50	112.50		
Election Officers	176.00			176.00	84.00	92.00	
Bonding Town Officers	270.00			270.00	270.00		
Town Hall maintenance	1,120.00		3.30	1,123.30	1,056.03	67.27	
Town Hall repairs	100.00			100.00	90.53	9.47	
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY							
Police department	3,450.00			3,450.00	3,441.38	8.62	
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TABLE OF ACCOUNTS—(Continued)

	Appropriations	Transfers	Refunds and		Total	Payments	Balance
			Receipts				
Fire department	3,180.00	\$ 4.66			3,184.66	3,184.66	
Moth department	900.00		11.48		911.48	899.73	11.75
Tree Warden	300.00				300.00	280.75	19.25
Forest Warden	150.00				150.00	149.38	.62
Town Forest	300.00				300.00	295.15	4.85
Inspector of Wires	92.50				92.50	90.00	2.50
Sealer of Weights and Measures	143.00				143.00	141.00	2.00
Dog Officer		47.00			47.00	47.00	
HEALTH AND SANI- TATION							
Board of Health	2,300.00		35.50		2,335.50	2,288.28	47.22
Health nurse	1,150.00	17.19			1,167.19	1,167.19	
Inspector of Animals	100.00				100.00	100.00	
Inspector of Slaughter	20.00				20.00	20.00	
Inspector of Milk	20.00				20.00	20.00	
Essex County T. B. maintenance assess- ment	539.77				539.77	539.77	

TABLE OF ACCOUNTS—(Continued)

	Appropriations	Transfers	Refunds and Receipts	Total	Payments	Balance
Vital statistics	70.00			70.00	4.50	65.50
HIGHWAYS						
Highway department	5,000.00	10.51	4,652.75	9,663.26	9,661.98	1.28
Snow removal	4,000.00			4,000.00	3,682.02	317.98
Sidewalks, railings and bridges	50.00			50.00	13.73	36.27
Street lights	2,583.90			2,583.90	2,583.90	
Rocks bridge	1,400.00			1,400.00	1,328.08	71.92
Main St., Chapter 90	2,500.00		19,129.00	21,629.00	17,238.61	4,390.39
Oiling Pleasant St.	220.00			220.00	171.55	48.45
CHARITIES						
Public welfare	28,000.00		26.50	28,026.50	24,183.72	3,842.78
Mothers' aid	1,560.00			1,560.00	1,531.34	28.66
Old age assistance	10,000.00			10,000.00	9,840.92	159.08
Soldiers' relief	4,600.00		25.00	4,625.00	3,896.98	728.02
State aid	430.00			430.00	360.00	70.00



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TABLE OF ACCOUNTS—(Continued)

	Refunds and			Total	Payments	Balance
	Appropriations	Transfers	Receipts			
SCHOOLS A N D LI- BRARIES						
Schools	28,157.00		92.20	28,249.20	28,245.92	3.28
Public Library	700.00		950.00	1,650.00	1,645.84	4.16
RECREATION A N D UNCLASSIFIED						
Memorial Day	125.00			125.00	125.00	
E. R. A.	3,000.00			3,000.00	1,982.97	1,017.03
Reserve fund	500.00	371.11		128.89		128.89
Insurance	2,210.50			2,210.50	2,070.10	140.40
Printing town reports	271.00			271.00	271.00	
Lighting town build- ings	579.75			579.75	579.75	
Water in town build- ings	300.00			300.00	300.00	
Cemeteries	950.00		309.50	1,259.50	1,259.50	
Surveying cemetery	200.00			200.00	200.00	
Interest	1,700.00			1,700.00	1,015.86	684.14
Municipal loan for relief	3,600.00			3,600.00	3,600.00	
Water extension note	2,000.00	2,000.00				
	124,112.92	2,291.75	25,286.72	147,107.89	134,600.43	12,507.46

OTHER PAYMENTS NOT APPROPRIATED

	Balances Dec. 31, '34	Transfers	Refunds and Receipts	Total	Payments	Balance
Collector, 1934	\$ 286.44	\$ 25.60	\$	\$ 312.04	\$ 285.16	\$ 26.88
Collector, 1933	135.51			135.51	130.58	4.93
Vocational training		63.13		63.13	63.13	
Road machinery main- tenance		897.00		897.00	888.69	8.31
State highway, Chap- ter 464, Acts 1935			\$ 1,550.00	1,550.00	929.70	620.30
Road machinery ac- count	710.30	907.51	2,347.26	2,150.05		2,150.05
Kimball Park	13.00		94.50	107.50	94.00	13.50
Insurance, 1934		28.50		28.50	28.50	
Printing			42.00	42.00	42.00	
Temporary loans	25,000.00		73,000.00	98,000.00	68,000.00	30,000.00
Loan, Chapter 44, Sec. A			15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	
Light department	5,952.85	3,163.65	33,198.08	35,987.28	27,781.65	8,205.63
Water department	1,473.51	15.20	11,847.44	13,305.75	11,224.17	2,081.58
County tax		128.00	2,461.22	2,589.22	2,589.22	
State tax		85.53	2,690.68	2,776.21	2,776.21	
Dog fees	102.60		277.20	379.80	379.80	

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## OTHER PAYMENTS NOT APPROPRIATED—(Continued)

	Balances Dec. 31, '34	Transfers	Refunds and Receipts	Total	Payments	Balance
Cemetery per. care			950.00	950.00	950.00	
Library per. care			412.50	412.50	412.50	
Water liens	73.00			73.00	73.00	
Taxes 1933			33.75	33.75	33.75	
Taxes 1934			38.25	38.25	38.25	
Taxes 1934			119.30	119.30	119.30	
Taxes 1935			100.80	100.80	100.80	
Excise 1935			4.61	4.61	4.61	
Est. receipts to Collector			2.00	2.00	2.00	
			1.31	1.31	1.31	
			5.07	5.07	5.07	
			7.39	7.39	7.39	
			3.80	3.80	3.80	
			1.08	1.08	1.08	
	157,860.13	2,425.35	169,474.96	322,184.74	266,566.10	55,618.64



## RECAPITULATION

Appropriations	\$124,112.92	
Accounts balances 1934	33,747.21	
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	\$157,860.13	
Transferred to Accounts		
To Fire Dept.	\$ 4.66	From Reserve fund
To Dog officer	47.00	From Reserve fund
To Health nurse	17.19	From Reserve fund
To Highway	10.51	From Road machinery
To Collector Taxes 1934	25.60	From Reserve fund
To Vocational training	63.13	From Reserve fund
To Road machinery maintenance	897.00	From Road machinery
To Insurance 1934	28.50	From Revenue of previous years
To County tax	128.00	From Reserve fund
To State tax	85.53	From Reserve fund
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	\$159,167.25	
Transferred From Accounts		
Reserve fund	\$ 371.11	To Various accounts listed above
Water maintenance	2,000.00	To Revenue

RECAPITULATION—(Continued)

Road machinery	907.51	To Road machinery maintenance
Light department	3,163.65	To Revenue
Water maintenance	15.20	To Water revenue
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	\$ 6,457.47	
\$159,167.25—\$6,457.47	\$152,709.78	
Refunds and receipts	169,474.96	
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		\$322,184.74
Payments		266,566.10
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Balances Dec. 31, 1935		\$ 55,618.64

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Assets		Liabilities	
Cash:		Temporary loans	\$ 30,000.00
General		Revenue Reserved Until Collected:	
Electric Light depreciation	\$ 6,935.67	Motor vehicle excise taxes	1,593.86
Electric Light reserve	19,055.88	Moth taxes	105.87
Accounts Receivable:	1,817.50	Departmental	8,672.03
Taxes		Municipal Light	742.14
Levy of 1935	42,121.19	Water	1,638.66
Levy of 1934	21,813.34	Federal tax	.58
Levy of 1933	2,392.98	Tax titles	2,091.92
Tax tailings	6.33	School teachers	87.83
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:		Surplus revenue of prior years	32,387.22
Levy of 1935	863.01	Overlay 1935	1,853.09
Levy of 1934	522.77	Appropriations Balances Unexpended	
Levy of 1933	212.49	Tax Collector	178.72
Previous years	5.77	Main Street, Chapter 90	4,390.39
Old Age Assistance Taxes:		E. R. A.	1,017.03
Levy of 1933	229.00	Unexpended Balances	
Levy of 1932	38.00	Tax Collector	31.81
Moth Taxes:		Road machinery	2,150.05
Levy of 1935	55.40	Cemetery contingent	.20
Levy of 1934	24.95	Electric Light maintenance	8,205.63
Levy of 1933	35.50	Electric Light depreciation	19,055.88
Previous years	1.50	Electric Light reserve	1,817.50
Departmental:		Water maintenance	2,081.58
Board of Health	1,318.33	Kimball Park	13.50



Public welfare	5,507.24	State highway, Chapter 464	620.30
Old age assistance	1,104.83	Special State tax (O. A. A.)	43.00
Mothers' aid	721.63		
Municipal Light:			
Light	683.34		
Power	.90		
Miscellaneous	57.90		
Water:			
Rates	540.92		
Miscellaneous	213.33		
State Aid (due from State)	20.00		
Tax titles	2,091.92		
Overlay:			
1931	246.66		
1932	1,140.20		
1933	2,259.55		
1934	1,901.73		
Federal tax	.58		
Advance change (town office)	10.00		
Advance change (Light and Water)	125.00		
County aid to highway	1,273.51		
State aid to highway	2,545.53		
Water liens added to taxes	884.41		
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	\$118,778.79		\$118,778.79

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net funded or fixed debt	\$12,800.00	Water extension	\$ 2,000.00
		Municipal loan (Acts of 1933), borrowed from Commonwealth	10,800.00
			<u>10,800.00</u>
	\$12,800.00		\$12,800.00

TRUST FUNDS

In custody of Town Treasurer	\$47,932.85	Library funds	\$ 1,911.48
		T. H. Hoyt library funds	22,281.11
		Kimball Park funds	3,033.17
		Cemetery perpetual care funds	20,707.09
			<u>20,707.09</u>
	\$47,932.85		\$47,932.85

LIABILITIES

Notes Payable		Interest on Notes Payable	
Water main extension at 4%, year 1936	\$2,000.00	Year 1936	\$ 80.00
Municipal (Federal Emergency Relief) at 3½ %			
Year 1936	3,600.00	Year 1936	378.00
Year 1937	3,600.00	Year 1937	252.00
Year 1938	3,600.00	Year 1938	126.00

## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

Name	Original Amount	New	Balance Dec. 31 '34	Int.	Withdrawn		Balance Dec. 31, '35
					Expended 1935		
Frank Hargraves .....	\$100.00		\$ 105.75	\$ 3.19	\$ 3.00	\$	105.94
John Heald .....	200.00	*\$200.00		1.50			201.50
Clara M. Kendall .....	200.00		212.94	6.42	4.00		215.36
Daniel W. Gould .....	100.00		107.04	3.23	4.00		106.27
David Tukesbury, Thos. Merrill.....	150.00		151.19	4.57	4.00		151.76
Betsy A. Veal .....	100.00		101.99	3.07	4.00		101.06
Stephen Nichols .....	100.00		102.32	3.08	4.00		101.40
Benjamin Rowell .....	50.00		66.34	2.00			68.34
Moses Sawyer .....	50.00		62.80	1.88			64.68
Thomas Hoyt .....	150.00		152.12	4.59	4.00		152.71
Chas. S. Lockwood .....	100.00		106.51	3.21	4.00		105.72
Fred B. Porter .....	100.00		105.22	3.17	3.00		105.39
Rufus H. Bennett .....	100.00		108.07	3.26	3.00		108.33
N. L. and Ella S. Howe.....	100.00		107.17	3.23	3.00		107.40
Edmund Ricker .....	100.00		104.46	3.15	4.00		103.61
Tappan Sargent and Franklin Ma- son .....	100.00		104.44	3.15	3.00		104.59
Austin W. Sawyer .....	100.00		107.53	3.25	3.00		107.78
Geo. H. Tilton .....	100.00		106.50	3.21	1.00		108.71
Moses C. Flanders .....	50.00		54.86	1.64			56.50
Jennie Prescott .....	100.00	*100.00		.50			100.50
John W. Logan .....	100.00		102.21	3.08	3.00		102.29
Chas. Colman .....	100.00		103.24	3.11	3.00		103.35
Julia Whaland .....	150.00		158.93	4.79	4.00		159.72



## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS—(Continued)

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Name	Original Amount	New	Balance Dec. 31 '34	Int.	Withdrawn		Balance Dec. 31, '35
					Expended 1935		
Norman S. Cole .....	100.00		100.71	3.03	3.00		100.74
Mary Ordway .....	100.00		101.91	3.07	3.00		101.98
John T. Lovett .....	100.00		102.69	3.09	3.00		102.78
Wm. H. Franklin .....	100.00		102.29	3.08	3.00		102.37
Helen G. Linden .....	100.00		102.29	3.08	3.00		102.37
Clifton B. Heath .....	150.00		156.43	4.71	4.00		157.14
Mary E. Sargent (Orlando Sar- gent lot) .....	100.00		101.52	3.07	3.00		101.59
John K. Sargent .....	100.00		104.14	3.14	2.00		105.28
Mary H. Sargent (Hayden Sargent lot) .....	100.00		101.14	3.05	3.00		101.19
Roswell J. Eaton .....	100.00		100.79	3.03	3.00		100.82
John Currier (Joshua Currier lot)	150.00		152.46	4.59	3.00		154.05
John Currier (Church St. Ceme- tery) .....	125.00		127.57	3.85	3.00		128.42
Single grave lots .....	30.00		30.56	.92			31.48
Annie M. Sargent (John L. Sar- gent lot) .....	125.00		126.45	3.81	3.00		127.26
Fred R. Weed .....	200.00		204.18	6.17			210.35
Mary J. Murphy (J. H. Murphy lot) .....	100.00		101.00	3.05			104.05
Edward H. Preble .....	125.00		126.25	3.81			130.06
Edwin S. Lane .....	100.00		100.75	3.03			103.78
Elbridge D. Young .....	100.00		100.50	3.03			103.53

## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS—(Continued)

Name	Original Amount	New	Balance Dec. 31 '34	Int.	Withdrawn Expended 1935	Balance Dec. 31, '35
Mary Emma Hoyt (Frederic Nichols lot) .....	150.00		150.00	4.15		154.15
Harriett E. Story (F. A. Sargent and Story lot) .....	100.00		100.00	2.77		102.77
Phillip E. Quimby .....	100.00		100.00	2.00		102.00
Sarah B. Titcomb (Eva J. Titcomb lot) .....	100.00	100.00		1.25		101.25
Annie Tuttle (Amos Small-Lawson lot) .....	100.00	100.00				100.00
Clarence T. Allison .....	100.00	100.00		1.25		101.25
Rebecca P. Little (Albert Sargent lot) .....	200.00	200.00		3.00		203.00
Frank Ward .....	200.00		232.45	7.01	6.00	233.46
R. W. Sargent & Moulton .....	100.00		110.18	3.32	3.00	110.50
Samuel C. Pease .....	150.00		155.22	4.69	5.00	154.91
Agnes F. Judkins (Geo. W. and Olive O. Judkins lot) .....	150.00		168.03	5.07	5.00	168.10
Willard D. Sargent (Edward P. Sargent lot) .....	200.00		247.01	7.45	5.00	249.46
Everett Carleton (Richard Stoyle lot) .....	100.00		110.30	3.32	4.00	109.62
A. E. Porter (S. L. Porter and Mary Emery lot) .....	150.00		179.25	5.41	17.00	167.66
Donald MacDiarmid .....	150.00		172.78	5.21	4.00	173.99

## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS—(Continued)

Name	Original Amount	New	Balance Dec. 31 '34	Int.	Withdrawn		Balance Dec. 31, '35
					Expended 1935		
Wm. H. Young .....	100.00		103.30	3.11	4.00		102.41
Mary A. Hoyt (Thos. Hoyt lot) .....	200.00		199.01	6.02	3.00		202.03
Willard D. Sargent (Moses Sargent lot) .....	50.00	*50.00	54.88	1.64	1.00		105.52
Willard D. Sargent (Nicholas Sar- gent lot) .....	50.00	*50.00	54.88	1.64	1.00		105.52
Lilla P. Laraway (H. W. Laraway lot) .....	100.00		105.73	3.19	3.00		105.92
Warren E. Wallace .....	100.00		124.80	3.75	4.00		124.55
Moses Stevens .....	100.00		114.33	3.45	4.00		113.78
Elizabeth M. Cooper (Jos. Cooper lot) .....	100.00		104.36	3.14	4.00		103.50
E. Fannie Bradley (Daniel Bradley lot) .....	100.00		103.49	3.13	3.00		103.62
Rhoda S. Poore (Daniel Poore lot)	300.00		397.98	12.01	22.00		387.99
Rhoda S. Poore (Frederick Sargent lot) .....	200.00		336.33	10.16	35.00		311.49
Otis W. Little .....	200.00		280.39	8.46	10.00		278.85
Susan B. Sargent (westerly half J. B. Sargent lot) .....	75.00		88.81	2.67	.50		90.98
Eliza M. Sawyer (Thos. C. Sawyer lot) .....	114.00		112.50	3.39	3.00		112.89
Mary A. Noyes .....	100.00		109.76	3.31	3.00		110.07



## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS—(Continued)

Name	Original Amount	New	Balance Dec. 31 '34	Int.	Withdrawn		Balance Dec. 31, '35
					Expended 1935		
Edward F. Goodwin and Thomas Goodwin lot .....	150.00		151.83	4.58	4.00		152.41
Fred W. Cate .....	100.00		101.59	3.07	3.00		101.66
Marietta B. Sargent (Wm. P. Colby lot) .....	250.00		370.27	11.18	20.00		361.45
Ida E. Stevens .....	125.00		133.10	4.03	4.00		133.13
Mary A. Chase (G. W. Chase lot)..	100.00		108.93	3.27	4.00		108.20
Stuart, Chase and Sargent .....	100.00		154.36	4.65	4.00		155.01
Chas. A. Noyes (Chas. Henry Noyes lot) .....	75.00		75.81	2.27	2.00		76.08
Porter Sargent (Bailey Sargent lot) .....	150.00		155.01	4.69	5.00		154.70
M. W. R. Downing (John Sargent and Ichabod Nichols lot) .....	125.00		132.78	3.99	10.00		126.77
Amos Weed .....	100.00		130.31	3.93	25.00		109.24
W. O. Smiley (Wm. and Francis Smiley lot) .....	100.00		113.67	3.43	4.00		113.10
Harriett and Carrie P. Baxter.....	100.00		116.37	3.51	4.00		115.88
Parmelia Trefethan (Ephraim Trefethan lot) .....	100.00		127.77	3.85	4.00		127.62
Caroline S. Noyes (Somerby C. Noyes lot) .....	100.00		109.41	3.31	5.00		107.72
Adeline Whittier .....	100.00		109.73	3.31	4.00		109.04
Warren Sargent .....	100.00		103.16	3.11	3.00		103.27

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Name	Original Amount	New	Balance Dec. 31 '34	Int.	Withdrawn		Balance Dec. 31, '35
					Expended 1935		
Ruth C. Rowell (Jacob Rowell and Chas. Dow lot) .....	200.00		324.14	9.80	40.00		293.94
Sarah A. Pattee (Asa F. and Sarah Pattee lot) .....	175.00		229.08	6.92	15.00		221.00
Sarah A. Pattee (Wm. Gunnison lot) .....	125.00		138.44	4.17	10.00		132.61
A. B. Little .....	337.87		356.99	10.77	10.00		357.76
John Bancroft .....	50.00		52.10	1.56	1.00		52.66
Aaron Bancroft .....	50.00		51.29	1.55	1.00		51.84
Thos. D. Nelson .....	150.00		186.71	5.63	15.00		177.34
Mabel J. Shepardson (Isaac Jones lot) .....	100.00		106.53	3.21	4.00		105.74
Henry Crosby .....	65.00		123.34	3.73	5.00		122.07
A. Linda Little .....	150.00		189.76	5.72	7.00		188.48
Etta H. Colby .....	100.00		106.67	3.21	5.00		104.88
Mrs. Gilman Hoyt .....	100.00		111.20	3.35	4.00		110.55
Phineas Chase .....	100.00		102.08	3.08	4.00		101.16
Chas. A. Bridges .....	100.00		119.10	3.59	18.00		104.69
Louise Clement (John S. Clement lot) .....	100.00		139.58	4.21	3.00		140.79
Carrie C. Noyes .....	150.00		165.77	5.00	8.00		162.77
M. E. Sargent .....	100.00		114.20	3.44	3.00		114.64
Emily S. Goodwin (Patten Sargent lot) .....	250.00		282.36	8.52	5.00		285.88

## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS—(Continued)

Name	Original Amount	New	Balance Dec. 31 '34	Int.	Withdrawn		Balance Dec. 31, '35
					Expended 1935		
John L. and Sophia Merrill.....	200.00		262.95	7.92	25.00		245.87
Moses Goodrich .....	100.00		101.80	3.07	3.50		101.37
W. A. Paine (Henry Sargent lot)....	50.00		59.33	1.79	3.00		58.12
J. E. Prescott .....	125.00		150.50	4.53	7.00		148.03
Addie F. Sawyer (Chas. W. Sawyer lot) .....	100.00		113.39	3.43	13.00		103.82
Melville S. Gibbs .....	50.00		50.66	1.52	.50		51.68
Arthur C. Sargent .....	100.00		113.36	3.43	4.00		112.79
Heirs of A. R. Kimball .....	100.00		107.07	3.23	3.00		107.30
Geo. E. Ricker (J. W. Sargent lot)	100.00		100.50	3.03	3.00		100.53
Alfred G. Wells (A. G. Wells, R. K. Nichols and Patriquen) .....	100.00		228.10	6.89	5.00		229.99
Stephen C. Parsons .....	200.00		221.37	6.68	4.00		224.05
Alfred H. Colby (A. M. Colby lot)....	100.00		101.85	3.07	3.00		101.92
George S. Sargent .....	100.00		107.29	3.23	4.00		106.52
Edward Sherman .....	100.00		101.83	3.07	3.00		101.90
Chas. E. Rowell .....	150.00		170.34	5.13	20.00		155.47
Erastus Sargent .....	100.00		117.48	3.55	5.00		116.03
Mary E. Robinson .....	150.00		163.63	4.94	4.00		164.57
Chas. Wallace and Helen Chamberlain .....	100.00		103.39	3.11	4.00		102.50
Frank C. Williams .....	100.00		110.04	3.32	4.00		109.36
Melville A. Cunningham .....	100.00		111.03	3.35	4.00		110.38
Daniel M. Means .....	100.00		107.93	3.25	4.00		107.18



## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS—(Continued)

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Name	Original Amount	New	Balance Dec. 31 '34	Int.	Withdrawn		Balance Dec. 31, '35
					Expended 1935		
Judson S. Jewett .....	100.00		112.05	3.38	4.00		111.43
Conrad Kippenberger .....	50.00		51.39	1.55	1.00		51.94
Herbert C. Oak .....	150.00		159.37	4.81	5.00		159.18
Walter L. Chaloner .....	170.00		192.25	5.81	6.00		192.06
Justin Clement .....	75.00		87.20	2.63	1.00		88.83
Emma P. Emerson (Alfred Chase lot) .....	100.00		102.64	3.09	3.00		102.73
John W. Foster .....	150.00		169.27	5.11	7.00		167.38
John H. Cleary .....	100.00		109.94	3.31	3.00		110.25
M. A. Gasset .....	100.00		114.74	3.45	4.00		114.19
J. W. Johnson .....	100.00		101.61	3.07	3.00		101.68
William Greeley .....	100.00		114.87	3.45	4.00		114.32
Moses S. Brown .....	100.00		107.32	3.23	4.00		106.55
John B. Judkins .....	350.00		500.77	15.12	12.00		503.89
Henry C. Fox .....	100.00		112.89	3.39	3.00		113.28
Geo. G. Larkin (Little, Larkin lot and Oliver Larkin lot) .....	300.00		304.83	9.20	8.00		306.03
Addie Haley .....	100.00		106.86	3.21	4.00		106.07
Jacob T. Crosby .....	100.00		108.04	3.26	4.00		107.30
Willis H. Scott .....	75.00		92.12	2.78	3.00		91.90
Herbert F. Chase (Enoch Chase lot) .....	100.00		102.72	3.09	3.00		102.81
Joseph H. Leavitt .....	100.00		116.13	3.50	6.00		113.63
William Betts .....	150.00		158.28	4.77	3.00		160.05

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS—(Continued)

Name	Original Amount	New	Balance Dec. 31 '34	Int.	Withdrawn Expended 1935	Balance Dec. 31, '35
Horace J. Batchelder and George H. Nichols .....	200.00		215.21	6.50	7.00	214.71
James D. Pike .....	100.00		115.45	3.49	4.00	114.94
Gustavus D. Veal (Gustavus Veal and George Grant lot) .....	100.00		103.92	3.13	4.00	103.05
William Gilday .....	150.00	*50.00	162.15	4.89	15.00	202.04
		\$950.00	\$19,910.33	\$606.26	\$759.50	\$20,707.09

\*Deposited since Dec. 31, 1934.

PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS

Name	Original Amount	Balance Dec. 31, '34	Interest	Expended 1935	Balance Dec. 31, '35
James Whittier .....	\$ 487.07	\$ 717.53	\$ 20.56	\$ 75.00	\$ 663.09
D. J. Poore .....	500.00	601.99	16.69	100.00	518.68
A. E. Goodwin .....	200.00	205.83	6.20		212.03
Laura Patten .....	500.00	502.50	15.18		517.68
Thos. H. Hoyt .....			{ 294.99	775.00	9,781.11
		9,848.62	{ 412.50		
Balances shown in Merrimac Savings bank books		\$11,876.47	\$ 766.12	\$ 950.00	\$11,692.59
Haverhill Savings Bank, T. H. Hoyt fund		5,000.00	150.00	150.00	5,000.00
Danvers Savings Bank, T. H. Hoyt fund		7,500.00	262.50	262.50	7,500.00
		\$24,376.47	\$1,178.62	\$1,362.50	\$24,192.59

KIMBALL PARK FUNDS

Amos Weed .....	\$1,860.86	\$ 2,036.90	\$ 60.54	\$ 94.50	\$ 2,002.94
Judith W. Kimball .....	1,000.00	1,000.00	30.23		1,030.23
		\$ 3,036.90	\$ 90.77	\$ 94.50	\$ 3,033.17

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE FUNDS

Electric Light—Depreciation Fund .....	\$18,496.83	\$ 559.05			\$19,055.88
Electric Light—Reserve Fund .....	1,764.19	53.31			1,817.50





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**ANNUAL REPORT**  
of the  
**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**  
of the  
**TOWN OF MERRIMAC**  
**1935**

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IN MEMORIAM

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MRS. ANNIE W. HOYT

Died Nov. 29, 1935

Member of the Merrimac School Committee  
1930—1935

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Courageous, Loving, Cheerful too,  
Nothing was too hard to do,  
Your helping hand was always near  
Full of hope and without fear.



# SCHOOL REPORT

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## SCHOOL REPORT

To the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac:

In accordance with custom and with the Acts of the General Court, 1859, Chapter 57, we herewith submit to you the 66th Annual School Report.

HOWARD L. DeLONG,  
WILLARD T. KELLY,

School Committee.

## MERRIMAC SCHOOL CALENDAR

(Continued from calendar in 1934 Town Report)

March, 1936 to March, 1937

March	2, 1936—All schools open for third term.
April	24, 1936—All schools close for Spring vacation.
May	4, 1936—All schools open for Spring term.
June	12, 1936—Elementary schools close.
During week ending	
June	19, 1936—Junior and Senior High School graduations. (One week later if number of days requires it)
September	8, 1936—Parents' Day, registration for all entering pupils.
September	9, 1936—All schools open for Fall term.
October	12, 1936—All schools close, Columbus Day.
November	11, 1936—All schools close, Armistice Day.
Nov. 26 and 27,	1936—All schools close for Thanksgiving recess.
December	18, 1936—Elementary schools close for Christmas vacation.
December	22, 1936—Junior and Senior High schools close for Christmas vacation.
January	4, 1937—All schools open for Winter term.
February	19, 1937—All schools close for mid-Winter vacation.
March	1, 1937—All schools open for third term.

## NO SCHOOL SIGNAL

- 7:30 a. m.—11—11—long pause—1. No school in grades only.
- 7:30 a. m.—11—11—11. No school in high schools and grades.
- 11:40 a. m.—Same signals. One session.
- 12:30 p. m.—Same signals. No school in afternoon.

## SCHOOL OFFICERS

John C. Page, Ed. D., Superintendent of Schools  
Address: West Newbury

Tel. W. N. 52

## SCHOOL REPORT

Margaret R. Sawyer, Secretary

Address: West Newbury

Tel. W. N. 52

Alexander M. Sullivan, Supervisor of Attendance

Address: Locust Street

Tel. 238

A. Frances Davis, M. D., School Physician

Address: 16 Main Street

Tel. 154

Jean Badashaw, School Nurse

Address: 29 Mill Street

Tel. 52-11

## MRS. ANNIE W. HOYT

On November 29 we were saddened by the death, after a short illness, of our chairman Mrs. Annie W. Hoyt. Mrs. Hoyt had been a member of the School Committee since 1930, during which period she gave generously of her time and thought to the efficient conduct of our school system. In her home, social and public life, she represented the highest type of American womanhood and we feel that her passing is a distinct loss to the Town of Merrimac.

## BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Maintenance was a major item in 1935. Only a few of the fourteen items of change at Centre School ordered by the State Building Inspector on September 12, 1934, had been possible within the 1934 budget, so 1935 opened with many of its maintenance items predetermined. A complication arose during the summer when the furnaces at Centre School suddenly gave out. The additional expense of new furnaces on top of ordinary repairs and extraordinary changes raised the cost of the year's maintenance to \$2,248.25. Had it not been for the transfer of \$589.42 from books, supplies and equipment, and for the refunded dog tax and other transfers here and there, the required expenses could not have been met without added funds. It meant denial to the teachers and pupils of work books and many school aids, but the situation was met.

Two school projects with E. R. A. labor should be mentioned in a 1935 report. In the summer the Centre School was painted tan, the windows brown, and a large amount of miscellaneous work inside and out was also done with E. R. A. labor including cement steps, new doors, and enclosure around basement entrance. In the late fall a grading project was started on the grounds beside the high school.

Among needs, the toilets at the high school should have new seats and plumbing repairs.



# DIRECTORY OF SCHOOL STAFF, SEPTEMBER 1935

Position		Training	Total years experience	Years in Merrimac
High School Prin., math., science English French and Latin History Commercial	Chauncey D. MacKay Isaiah Chase Barbara Morrell Roberta C. Annon Evelyne F. E. Oliver	B. S. E., Boston U. Sch. of Ed. '24 Harvard, A. B. '30, A. M. '32 A. B., Bates, 1915 B. S., Univ. of N. H., 1931 B. S. in Ed., Salem Teachers '34	11 1 13 5 1	7 1 9 5 1
Junior High Prin., soc. science English and math.	Howard G. Patchett Frederick A. Small	B. A., Union Col. '14, M. A. Clark '26 B. S. in Ed., Boston U. Sch. of Ed. '34	13 1	4 1
Centre School Prin., Grade 6 Grade 5 Grade 4 Grade 3 Grade 2 Grade 1	Wilma B. Kingsbury Louise E. Hardy Theresa Kondrat Sarah B. Titcomb Helen K. Manning Helen J. Kennedy	Castine Nor. 1896, 4 summer sessions Framingham Normal, 1928 Lowell Normal, 1926, 2 summer ses. Salem Normal, 1905 Bridgewater Normal, 1918 Lesley Normal, 1927	20 7 8½ 21½ 11 6½	11 2 5 14 8½ 5
Merrimacport School	Edith A. Gillen	Bridgewater Teachers College '34	1	1
Drawing Supervisor	Annie A. Kelly	Mass. School of Art, 1906, 3 sum- mers	25½	9
Music Supervisor	Doris C. Currier	Institute of Music Pedagogy	13½	4



## THE SCHOOL SYSTEM

In October the enrollment in the public schools was 450 distributed as follows: At Centre 228, at Port 26, at Junior High 83, at High School 113. Further distribution was: At Centre, Miss Kennedy (Grade I) 32, Mrs. Manning (Grade II) 29, Miss Titcomb (Grade III) 37, Miss Kondrat (Grade IV) 40, Mrs. Hardy (Grade V) 42, Mrs. Kingsbury (Grade VI) 48. At Port, Miss Gillen (Grade I—12, III—7, IV—7) 26. At Junior High, Grade VII—36, VIII—47. At High School, Grade IX—40, X—26, XI—31, XII—13. Post-graduates—3.

In the elementary school there was one change in the staff, towards the end of the year. In November, Miss Helen J. Kennedy resigned from Centre School in order to accept a position in her home town of Winthrop. Miss Kennedy had given over five years of efficient and loving service to the first grade children; her resignation was accepted with much regret. On December 2, Miss Mary Louise McDonald of Newton Centre assumed the work of the first grade. Miss McDonald is a graduate of Newton High School and of the Framingham State Teachers College. Her practice teaching was in the Parker School, Watertown. She has been very active in Girl Scout work in Newton.

Early in 1935 the attendance in Centre School was badly hurt by German measles and colds. In May, the usual standardized tests were given throughout for determining how the children stood in their studies, in order that more stress might be laid where needed. In May also the annual state clinic was held for determining where the difficulties lie in the case of any children who have failed three times of promotion. These clinics are required under Chapter 71, Section 46, of the General Laws. If at any time ten pupils are diagnosed by these clinics as mentally retarded to a sufficient degree, Merrimac will be required to hire a special teacher and form a special class.

In the fall there was a congestion in the fourth grade room. The number of pupils exceeded the seating capacity of the room, under fire regulations. The situation was relieved by establishing a fourth grade at the Port, consisting of those pupils who had recently been promoted from the third grade at the Port. Fortunately it was possible to abolish for the year the second grade at the Port, and thus give Miss Gillen three grades, I, III, and IV. The one member of Grade II was transferred to Centre School.

During the fall, Mrs. Hardy of the fifth grade, Centre, continued her professional training by taking a course entitled "School and Society," given late Thursday afternoons at Haverhill through the Boston University Extension Service.

Throughout the year the usual extra-curriculum programs (such as a bird lecture by Miss Harriet W. Goode), and programs and projects by pupils, supplemented and varied the classroom studies, and town organizations such as the P. T. A. and the Grange continued their friendly interest and support of the Centre School and of all schools. The local Red Cross supplied milk where needed at Centre School and the Port during the early winter months, and the P. T. A. gave a basketball to the sixth grade as a prize for best parent attendance at the meetings. In December the pupils gave a program for the P. T. A. in the Town Hall.

The usual joint Memorial Day exercises of all of the schools were held in Sargent Hall on Wednesday afternoon, May 29. Invitations were sent to representatives of local patriotic organizations. Addresses were by Mr. John Lovett, without whom a Memorial Day program would not be complete, and Mr. Edward Germane, representing the American Legion.

During Fire Prevention Week the inspection of buildings and the witnessing of drills were by Chief Aaron A. Hume, Mr. George R. Buzzell, and Mr. Charles Bridges, of the Merrimac Fire Department.

Reports of the principals of the junior high and high will be found elsewhere. The junior high school, on Tuesday evening, June 18, graduated a class of 35 at Sargent Hall. There were 16 boys and 19 girls. The valedictory was by Frances Hall, the salutatory by Gladys Palmer, and the address by the Reverend Leon A. Dean. There were class parts by Stanley Whiting and Nellie Durgin. Other honor pupils were Elaine Noone, Richard Cate, and Harrison DeLong. The Merrimac High School, on June 19, graduated a class of 16 at Sargent Hall. There were 4 boys and 12 girls. The class honor pupils were Paul Morgan and Howard DeLong, Jr.

The activities of the high schools during the year were many and varied. A mention of some of them will be found in the principals' reports. Mr. Small gave many of his evenings and much effort to the establishment of a club for the boys. The staff of both junior high and high has been busy with the boys and girls, both in the classroom and outside. An account of the achievements of the year can scarcely be attempted in a short report. In the commercial department of the high school, the excellence of the work of Norma Mader and Ruth Metcalf received special comment (after submittal) in the Gregg Writer, in the May number, together with the name of the Merrimac High School.

The generous gift of Mr. C. Lester Sweeney, in the spring, of another Monroe Calculating Machine, will be a help to the work of the high school.



## MUSIC AND ART

Parents and citizens who have been interested have had abundant opportunity during the year to hear and see for themselves something of the work of the schools in music and art. There has been music on many public occasions such as graduations, Memorial Day exercises, and the operetta, and examples of art work and drawing have always been exhibited freely by Miss Kelly. More interesting still it would be for parents to visit and witness what is being done in instruction in these as well as in other fields.

"The Belle of Barcelona" in Grange Hall on April 5 will recall to many citizens "Sunbonnet Sue" of 1932, "The Gypsy Rover" of 1933, and "The Pirate's Daughter" of 1934,—a series which speaks for itself of the music work of the pupils under the direction of Mrs. Currier. In like manner, the samples of the work in drawing and art which have been shown freely for the past nine years by Miss Kelly at school exhibits and elsewhere throughout the town leave no doubt as to the type of activity in this field.

At the end of 1935, Miss Kelly reports to the superintendent:

Drawing and construction in the grades have continued along the same general lines.

Grades 5, 6 and 7, after a lapse of several years, again participated in the annual poster contest of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, the 8th grade at the same time made basketball posters, competing for a prize offered by Mr. Small.

Many pupils of the Junior High School have shown initiative and ingenuity in handicraft in making a creditable collection of book ends, door stops, leather purses and comb cases, and other articles from odds and ends of wood and leather.

The High School students have made rings, bracelets, pendants, leather articles, plaster casts and soap carving. The mechanical classes have continued as usual.

Our aim has been to give the students suggestions and assistance in the profitable use of their leisure time as well as to accomplish the most useful and practical results at the least possible expense.

## TRANSPORTATION

In 1935 the Merrimac school committee drew up with the Massachusetts Northeastern Street Railway Company a three-year renewal of its present contract. Altogether about 25% of the school pupils of Merrimac are transported regularly. This is less than half the percentage in other towns of the district.



## FINANCIAL

The Merrimac school committee is happy to announce that it will not have to ask for any more appropriation in 1936 than in 1935. In view of the fact that the claims made from the superintendent's office for reimbursements from the state in 1936 promise to be \$1200 better than in 1935, this should help financially, for these checks are sent to the town treasurer for reducing the tax levy. Merrimac now stands 101st among the 108 small towns in the state which support high schools in its cost per pupil from all sources for education, that is, it costs more per pupil in 100 of these towns and less in seven. This is from the state report of November 30, 1935 covering the average cost in all schools of the town. In addition to this, state reimbursements to Merrimac are taking an increasing load of this cost.

## HEALTH

THE SCHOOL REPORT OF MRS. JEAN BADASHAW, PUBLIC  
HEALTH NURSE, 1935

Number of school visits, 413.

Number home visits, 231.

Number children visited, 424.

Number pupils examined at school by Dr. Davis, 381, nurse assisting.

Number pupils examined by nurse, 489.

Number defects, nutrition, 84.

Number defects, posture, 166.

Number defects, teeth, 133; corrections, 58.

Slight heart defects, 3.

Glands, nose and throat defects, 21; corrections, 7.

Vision, 12; corrections, 2.

The follow-up of the Chadwick clinic was continued by Essex Co. T. B. Association located at Middleton. The Von Pirquet test was given to 106 pupils, 27 had positive reaction and were X-rayed, 4 were examined and were classed as observation cases for the follow-up in the coming year.

In March the immunizing for the prevention of diphtheria was again started. Three treatments were given at three week intervals to 49 children.

In November 29 children were immunized, ten being pre-school children. These treatments were given by Dr. Davis (School Physician) and only to children whose parents have given their consent in writing.

On June 26 the pre-school clinic was held at Centre School, 24 children attended and were examined by Dr. Davis.

During March, April and May the lower grades were interrupted as a number of pupils had German measles.

In September again the schools were interrupted by skin diseases.

#### REPORT OF JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Dr. John C. Page,  
Supt. of Schools,

Dear Sir:

Among the year's activities at the Junior High I should like to make mention of the following:

Under the auspices of the History Department the Senior Class made its annual trip to Boston where the usual places of historical interest were visited.

The total enrolment of Senior Class of 1935 was 35.

A Science Club has been organized for pupils of Grade 8. This club has shown special interest in photographic work.

For the first time in the history of the school, organized and outfitted teams in basketball and baseball took part in inter-school games.

In addition to the regular Junior High School extra curricular activities, Mr. Small, who has charge of the school's athletics, has operated a very popular Merrimac Boys' Club. This club was made possible through the assistance of the Parent-Teachers' Association. About 40 boys, ranging in ages from 12-18 years make up the organization.

Respectfully yours,

HOWARD G. PATCHETT.

#### MERRIMAC JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, GRADUATES OF CLASS OF 1935

Gladys Alberta Bowser, Bertha Mae Bunker, \*Nellie Mae Durgin, Marjorie Ruth Gilmore, Staffy Gortot, \*Frances Marjorie Hall, Isabelle Elsie Heath, Marjorie Illsley How, Gertrude Agnes Hume, Mary Elizabeth Hutchins, Catherine Martha McMaster, Natalie Gertrude Merritt, Dorothy Marie Murphy, \*Elaine Noone, \*Gladys Alma Palmer, Anna Elizabeth Sargent, Elsa Charlotte Sande, Bernice M. Trefethen,



Florence Edith Worcester, Bernard Andrew Arsenault, Adrien Marcel Bouffard, Wallace Spofford Carter, Jr., \*Richard Evans Cate, \*Harrison Stuart DeLong, Clyde E. Frost, Thomas F. Lally, Forrest M. Lavalley, Frank Edson Merritt, Bernard Arthur Morgan, Leighton L. Reynolds, George William Smith, Leon C. Soule, \*Stanley Elwin Whiting, Philip J. Brown, James Arthur Ollis, William How, Glendon Hargraves. \*Scholastic honors.

REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Doctor J. C. Page, Superintendent of Schools, and Members of the School Board:

I submit herewith the annual report of the Merrimac High School for the year 1935.

The distribution of students by classes and courses on October 1, 1935 follows:

Enrollment	Col. Gen.	Sc. Prep.	Norm.	Comm.	Total Girls	Total Boys	Students
Post Grads.							
Girls .....	2				2		
Boys .....	1					1	3
Seniors							
Girls .....	4	1		1	3	9	
Boys .....	2		1		1	4	13
Juniors							
Girls .....	3	2		1	12	18	
Boys .....	7		5		1	13	31
Sophomores							
Girls .....	3	3		4	8	18	
Boys .....	4		3		1	8	26
Freshmen							
Girls .....	3	4	1		10	18	
Boys .....	8	1	5	2	6	22	40
	37	11	15	8	42	65	113

It is interesting to notice that on October 1, 1933, 35% of the total enrollment were boys; on October 1, 1934, 36% were boys; and on October 1, 1935, 42% were boys; showing an appreciable increase in the number of boys attending high school.



Mr. Isaiah Chase has been transferred from head of the Language Department, which position he held during 1934-35, to head of the English Department, and very ably carries on the work of that department. Miss Barbara Morrell has returned as head of the Language Department, after a year's leave of absence during 1934-35.

In order to provide as much systematic extra help as possible to those having difficulty with their high school work, so-called Opportunity Classes have been inaugurated. These classes meet after the regular session each day. Different subject classes meet on different days of the week, thereby eliminating the possibility of conflict. Attendance at these classes has been compulsory. Considerable credit reflects upon the teachers who voluntarily undertook to teach these extra classes in the hope that the students concerned would avail themselves of this added opportunity to improve their work. Although similar classes are common in high schools, a year's experiment will better inform us of the desirability to continue them here. Following is the schedule of Opportunity Classes:

Monday—Mathematics and Physics.

Tuesday—Commercial Subjects.

Wednesday—English and General Science.

Thursday—French and Latin.

Friday—Social Studies and Introductory Business.

There were sixteen students graduated in the Class of 1935. The class parts were awarded as follows: Valedictory, Paul E. Morgan; Salutatory, Howard L. DeLong, Jr.; Class History, Margaret A. Dow; Class Will, Lucille Schiavoni; Class Prophecy, Arlene F. Hirst; Class Gifts, Hortense G. Sande; Class Poem, Ruth E. Metcalf.

The Balfour award was won by Howard L. DeLong, Jr., and the Washington and Franklin medal was awarded to Paul E. Morgan.

The Class of 1935 was the first class to hold Class Day exercises. All class parts other than the Valedictory and Salutatory which were delivered at the graduation exercises, were given at these Class Day exercises. Various members of the class entertained their guests in a varied program. Five class members gave a short play appropriate to the occasion. The School Chorus under the able direction of Mrs. Doris Currier, rendered several selections during the exercises, as well as at graduation. The idea of a distinct Class Day program met with hearty approval.

A class trip to Provincetown, and a vesper service provided a well rounded graduation week program.

It would be impractical in this report to mention all of the extra curricular activities. Some of these were the operetta, "The Belle

of Barcelona" on April 5, 1935; the Junior Promenade, and the annual Memorial Day exercises of the combined schools of Merrimac. The High School provided entertainment for a Parent-Teachers' meeting on November 21 in a play, "In the Principal's Office" which was given by request at two occasions outside the school. The Freshman dance, the Senior play "A Ready Made Family" on December 6 are perhaps some of the outstanding events.

Representatives of the Hi-Y, composed of High School boys, attended the various conferences. At a meeting at Topsfield, May 11, 1935, Lester Sweeney was elected president of the conference for 1936, and Howard DeLong, Jr. was awarded a suitable prize as the highest award for the best essay written by the boys of Essex County about a previous conference at Springfield, Mass., which ten Merrimac boys attended.

Noteworthy among the various visitors who have spoken at the high school, was one from the Department of Public Health of Massachusetts, Mrs. Albertine McKellar. Mrs. McKellar came in response to a request for a speaker for the high school girls to talk to them concerning conduct, health, etc. Mrs. McKellar spoke to the girls five different times over a period of several weeks, and once to the mothers of the girls, who were invited to a meeting for this purpose. The girls responded enthusiastically to Mrs. McKellar's talks which undoubtedly were of inestimable value to all of them. In spite of many attempts to locate a speaker on similar subjects for boys, these have been unsuccessful to the writing of this report. Apparently no society or organization knows of such a speaker, so far as can be learned.

The Women's Relief Corps represented by Mrs. Eva Hoyt, presented a silk American flag to the high school. The flag formerly used in the high school was old and soiled. The Women's Relief Corps are to be commended for their generous and patriotic gift.

Mr. Lester Sweeney, Sr. gave a Munroe adding machine to the high school. This is the second machine Mr. Sweeney has so generously provided. The Commercial Department finds them of great value both in the study of the machine and in its use. The Parent-Teachers Association has given a subscription to the National Geographic magazine. Gifts of these kinds, valuable and practical, are to be highly commended. The high school is extremely grateful, and appreciates the spirit which prompts gifts of this kind.

The high school athletic program has been carried on as usual. The Athletic Association has had a financial struggle to purchase the bare necessities for the sports. The purchasing of the nets used for basketball was materially aided by donations of many citizens. Of the total cost of one hundred dollars, \$48.29 was collected in this



way. The remainder was paid by the Athletic Association. This meant a curtailment of transportation for games outside of town and foregoing much of the equipment badly needed. As has been pointed out more in detail in previous reports, financing athletics in a school of the size of Merrimac High School, is a difficult problem. It has been impossible to do it fully and properly.

I thank Dr. Page and the School Committee for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. D. MacKAY, Principal.

#### MERRIMAC HIGH SCHOOL—CLASS OF 1935

Commercial Course—Inez Pearl Blackden, Natalie Elaine Carroll, Howard Lotton DeLong, Jr., Margaret Anna Dow, Phyllis Young Harvey, Arlene Frances Hirst, Norma Elizabeth Mader, Ruth Evelyn Metcalf, Hortense Gudrun Sande, Lucille Arlene Schiavoni.

General Course—Daniel E. Hargraves, Jr., Elsie Madeleine Healey, Elinor Janis Macdonald, William Peter McCarron, Gladys McGregor.

Scientific Preparatory Course—Paul Edgar Morgan.

Special awards—Balfour award (for scholarship, loyalty, achievement), Howard L. DeLong.

Washington and Franklin medal (for excellence in the study of American History) Paul E. Morgan.

#### HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP HONORS, 1934-35

Lenora Child, 91.6; Beth Whiting, 91.5; Marjorie Emery, 90.75; Mary Whiting, 88.75; Paul Morgan, 88.4; Howard DeLong, Jr., 88.0; Virginia Harrison, 87.8; Barbara Murray, 87.25; Muriel Wallace, 86.5; Elsie Raymond, 85.0; Donald DeLong, 84.8; Helmi Mustonen, 84.5.

#### GIRLS WHO RECEIVED LETTERS IN BASKETBALL, 1935

Virginia Streeter, Captain, Margaret Dow, Arlene Hirst, Natalie Carroll, Helen Brady, Inez Blackden, Anna Foster, Elinor Macdonald, Manager.

#### BOYS WHO RECEIVED LETTERS IN BASKETBALL, 1935

Fred Bailey, Captain, William Casazza, Captain, Howard DeLong, Lester Sweeney, Paul Morgan, Clayton Urquhart, Allan Murray, Francis Bailey, Manager.



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### BOYS WHO RECEIVED LETTERS IN BASEBALL, 1935

Frederick Bailey, Captain, Allan Murray, Paul Morgan, Ralph Sargent, William Casazza, James How, Jacob Quinney, Clifford Connor, Clayton Urquhart, Francis Bailey, Manager.

### ATTENDANCE HONOR ROLL

Not absent for eight years, September, 1927 to June, 1935—Margaret Dow.

Not absent for one year, September, 1934 to June, 1935, as follows:

High School—Rita Hume, Hugh Remick, Barbara Murray, Mary Whiting.

Junior High School—Bernard Burbeck, Leo Busch, Gladys Palmer.

Centre School—Grade 6, Raymond Anderson, Jennie Bushong, Ansel Clark, Donald Clark, Wentworth Clark, Adelaide Merritt. Grade 5, Elmer Bailey, Hollis Jefferson. Grade 4, Sybil Raymond. Grade 3, Earle Davis, Frederick Noone. Grade 2, Olive Greeley. Grade 1, none.

Merrimacport School—James Clark.

### 1935 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Regular school appropriation .....	\$28,000.00
Appropriated for school committee salaries .....	157.00
Refunded dog tax .....	92.20
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Total available for schools .....	\$28,249.20
Total expenditures .....	28,245.92
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Balance .....	\$ 3.28
Reimbursements	
Supt. Schools .....	\$ 483.34
General School Fund, Pt. I (Income) .....	2,306.25
General School Fund, Pt. II .....	2,344.26
Tuition and transp. State wards .....	525.52
Tuition to local high school .....	85.00
All other .....	7.70
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Total .....	\$5,752.07
Total expenditures .....	\$28,245.92

Total reimbursements .....	5,752.07
Total expended from local taxation, inc. dog tax.....	\$22,493.85

## SUMMARY OF EXPENSES, 1935

## General Control

Committee salaries .....	\$ 157.00
Committee expenses .....	21.55
Supt. Schools salary .....	850.00
Secretary's salary .....	250.00
Supt's. travel expenses and office supplies.....	150.00
Law enforcement .....	150.14
	<hr/> \$ 1,578.69

## Cost of Instruction

Teachers' salaries .....	17,110.00
Substitutes .....	175.00
Supervisors' salaries .....	800.00
Text books .....	411.17
Supplies .....	653.21
	<hr/> 19,149.38

## Cost of Operation

Janitors' salaries .....	1,202.74
Fuel .....	1,347.49
Janitors' supplies, cleaning, etc. ....	261.08
	<hr/> 2,811.31

Repairs .....	2,248.25
Health .....	317.76
Transportation .....	2,041.25
Equipment .....	46.20
Miscellaneous .....	53.08
Total .....	<hr/> \$28,245.92

## 1936 FINANCIAL ESTIMATES

## General Control

Committee salaries .....	\$ 175.00
Committee expenses .....	25.00
Supt. Schools salary .....	850.00
Secretary's salary .....	250.00
Supt's. travel expenses and office supplies.....	150.00
Law enforcement .....	85.00
	<hr/> \$ 1,535.00

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## Cost of Instruction

Teachers' salaries .....	\$17,550.00	
Substitutes .....	200.00	
Supervisors' salaries .....	800.00	
Text books .....	600.00	
Supplies .....	900.00	
		<hr/> 20,050.00

## Cost of Operation

Janitors' salaries .....	\$ 1,200.00	
Fuel .....	1,560.00	
Janitors' supplies, cleaning, etc. ....	280.00	
		<hr/> 3,040.00
Repairs .....	925.00	
Health .....	325.00	
Transportation .....	2,075.00	
Equipment .....	200.00	
Miscellaneous .....	25.00	
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Total .....	\$28,175.00	

## Estimates 1936 Reimbursements

Supt. Schools .....	\$ 483.33	
General School Fund, Part I (Income).....	5,540.00	
General School Fund, Part II.....	3,502.00	
Tuition and transp. State wards .....	378.00	
Tuition to local High School .....	85.00	
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Total .....	\$9,948.73	

Estimated regular school appropriation .....	\$28,000.00	
Appropriation for committee salaries .....	175.00	
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Total estimated for schools in 1936 .....	\$28,175.00	
Total estimated reimbursements .....	9,948.73	
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Total estimated expense from local taxation.....	\$18,226.27	





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